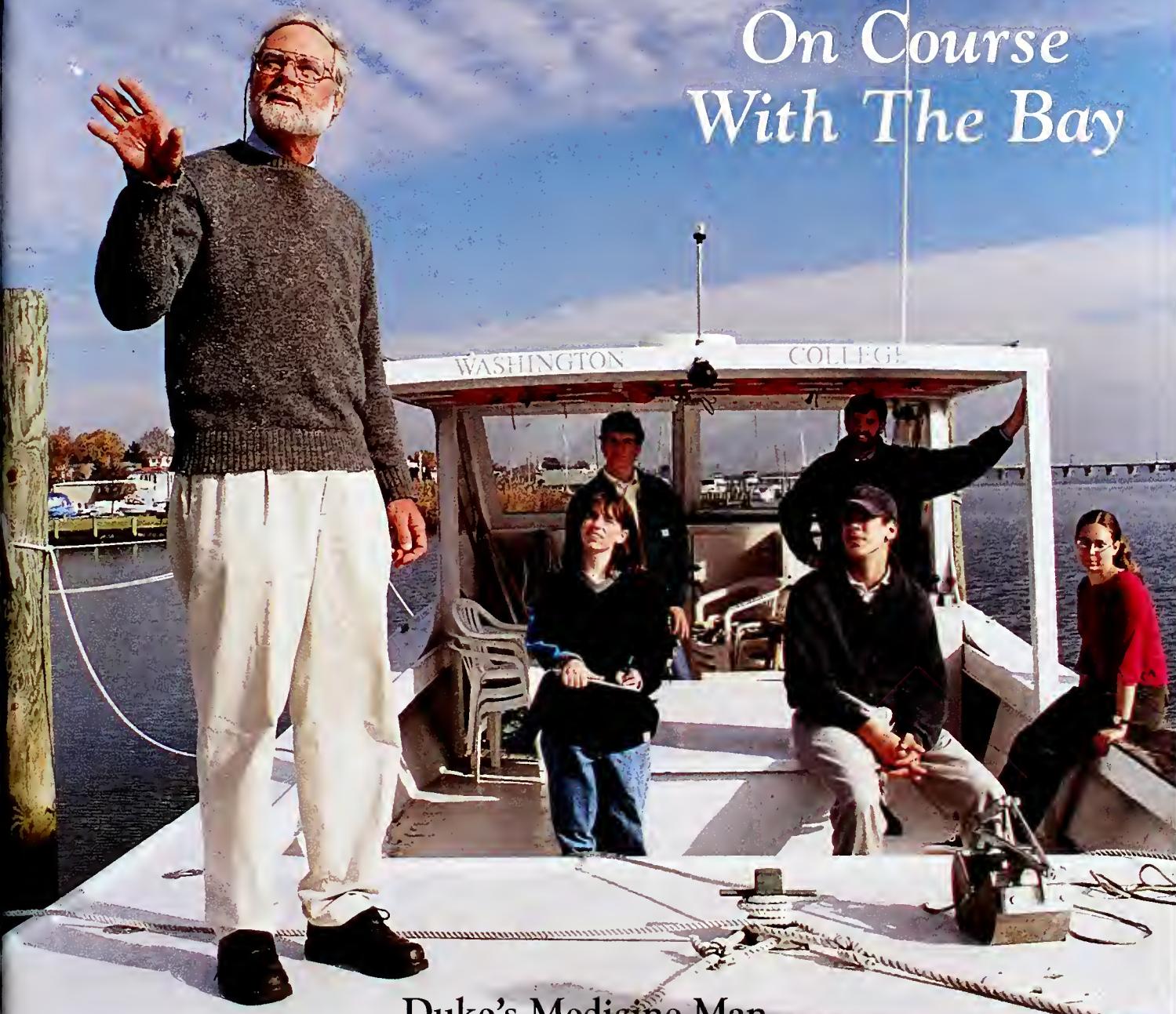


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IN MEMORIAM

Constance Stuart Larrabee H'86

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Constance Stuart Larrabee, a renowned photographer who generously supported the arts at Washington College, died on July 27 at her home in Chestertown. She was 85.

Mrs. Larrabee, a British-born photographer whose images of Southern Africa, World War II and the Eastern Shore of Maryland have been widely exhibited, lived for nearly 50 years in the Chestertown vicinity. A dear friend of the College, she served for many years as president of the Friends of the Arts and provided the leadership gift for the arts center bearing her name, which opened in 1990. She was awarded an honorary degree of arts in 1986.

At a memorial service in early September, College President John Toll remembered her "for her scintillating intelligence, her youthful spirit, her boundless energy, her generosity of heart and her keen interest in the success of our students and their pursuit of the arts."

Mrs. Larrabee began her friendship with Washington College soon after her arrival on Maryland's Eastern Shore

in the early 1950s. She relished the opportunity to take photographs in a new landscape. In 1957 she and former College President Daniel Gibson first collaborated on an exhibition of her photographs. Later, she helped the College mark its bicentennial with an exhibit entitled "Celebration on the Chesapeake." These photographs captured the essence of the Eastern Shore—its charm, its temperament and its rhythms so closely connected with the water. It also paved the way for a succession of exhibitions focusing on her earlier work.

Early in her career, Mrs. Larrabee took portraits of many well-known South African artists, actors and politicians as well as visitors from Europe, among them Noel Coward, the British travel writer H. V. Morton and the British Royal Family.

In addition to her commercial work, the young photographer began capturing on film images of the vanishing ethnic cultures of South Africa. She photographed life in the townships of Johannesburg, the diamond mines of Kimberley and the Bo Kaap quarter in Cape Town. She considered these images to be among her most important. Exhibitions



PHOTO J. TYLER CAMPBELL '76

of this work in South Africa brought her national recognition and led to her official appointment in 1944 as South Africa's first female war correspondent during World War II.

Throughout the years, Mrs. Larrabee's work has been exhibited in the U.S. and South Africa. In 1953, two of her photographs were included in Edward Steichen's international exhibition "The Family of Man" at the Museum of Modern Art in New York. Among museums holding solo exhibitions of her work were the National Museum of African Art, Smithsonian Institution, the Corcoran Gallery of Art in Washington, DC, the Yale Center for British Art in New Haven, Connecticut, the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum in St.

Michaels, Maryland, the American Museum of Natural History in New York, the National Gallery of South Africa in Cape Town and several other South African galleries.

In 1997, Mrs. Larrabee donated her African images to the National Museum of African Art, her World War II photographs to the Corcoran Gallery of Art and her Eastern Shore work to the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum. These three museums held concurrent exhibitions of the collections in 1998 and a traveling exhibition entitled South Africa, 1936-1949.

Some of Mrs. Larrabee's photos of Washington College are featured on pages 14 and 15 of this issue.

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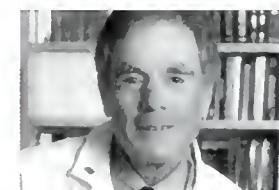
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Honorees Inspire By Example

SCIENCE, SUCCESS and service to others were the buzzwords at Fall Convocation, as the College recognized the good works of three distinguished leaders. Dr. Benjamin S. Carson, the world's most famous pediatric neurosurgeon, and Dr. Rita Colwell, an innovative scientist responsible for positioning the United States as a leader in biotechnology, were awarded honorary Doctor of Science degrees. Lois S. Duffey, a civic leader who has generously supported education and the needs of children on Maryland's Eastern Shore, was awarded the honorary Doctor of Public Service degree.

Earlier that day on September 9, Dr. Colwell and

Dr. Carson each met with combined classes of biology, chemistry and psychology students. It was an opportunity for them to talk in depth about their work.

Dr. Colwell, director of the National Science Foundation and former director of the Maryland Biotechnology Institute, shared her research of the last 30 years which has focused on cholera. What Colwell and her colleagues found is that *vibrio cholerae* have a genetic mechanism for surviving low temperatures, and that outbreaks of this deadly infectious disease are influenced by temperature, seasons and climate. She explained how scientists, using satellites to monitor sea surface temperature, turbidity and sea height, found a dramatic correlation between meteorological events and outbreaks of cholera in the Third World.

Dr. Colwell also described an experiment being funded by the National Institutes of

Dr. Rita Colwell, director of the NSF, applauded the College's endeavors to provide information technologies in a liberal arts and sciences setting.



PHOTO: JAMES MASTRANTONI

Health in 50 rural villages of Bangladesh. Women there are being taught to filter their drinking water through folds of sari cloth. Preliminary results show that filtering is successfully preventing disease.

Later that afternoon, Dr. Benjamin S. Carson talked to students about the medical profession, managed health care and his work as a pediatric brain surgeon at Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions. He stressed the importance of considering one's "special gifts and talents" when choosing a career.

In his brief convocation remarks, Carson talked about how he overcame dire poverty to become successful. "What liberated me from being 'disadvantaged' was to re-

alize that the person who was responsible for my success was me."

He also talked about how he measures success. "We are successful when we help our young people get in touch with their tremendous intellectual gifts. Success is the result of people using their talents to elevate others."

By that measure, Lois S. Duffey has been very successful in her life and work. Mrs. Duffey has been a staunch supporter of educational institutions on Maryland's Eastern Shore. She has played a key role in sustaining and building The Gunston School in Centreville, MD, into a premier secondary institution. With her recent generous endowment of the Harry J. Duffey Jr. Scholarships at Washington College, Mrs. Duffey has created a legacy of giving that will ensure success for future generations of Eastern Shore students. ▀



Dr. Benjamin Carson autographed a program for Keeza Matundan '01, president of the Student Government Association.

WC Opens Goldstein Hall

AT THE DEDICATION ceremony marking the opening of the College's newest academic building, speakers proclaimed Louis L. Goldstein Hall "a shrine of public service" built in honor of "the greatest comptroller in the United States."

To the uninitiated, it may have sounded like hyperbole, but his public record of leadership and personal commitment to others proves it true.

Friends and associates of the late comptroller of the state of Maryland gathered on campus at the beginning of the academic year and praised his good works and his fine example as a truly dedicated public servant. Louis L. Goldstein, a 1935 graduate of the College, was remembered as a man devoted to his family, the state of Maryland and Washington College.

He was a legendary figure in Maryland politics, renowned for his down-home charm, keen business sense and tireless energy. In his 60 years in state government, including 40 years as state comptroller, he traversed Maryland thousands of times. He knew every town and village. In each of his decisions, he was motivated by what was best for the citizens of Maryland.

Goldstein was equally renowned for promoting Wash-

ington College. He joined the College's Board of Visitors and Governors in 1957, serving until his death in July 1998. As chairman of the board for 18 years, Goldstein was an influential leader who took great delight in seeing Washington College grow and flourish. He believed in the value of the liberal arts and sciences, and he believed in teaching by example.

"In a very fundamental sense, Louis was a true educator," remarked U.S. Senator Paul Sarbanes (D-MD), one of Goldstein's long-time political associates, "and we all benefited from his teachings."

Hundreds of students across the state also reaped the benefit of his interest in his *alma mater*. Not only was he an enthusiastic student recruiter, he helped those who came to Washington College by working to provide the finest facilities and

programs possible. He took a personal interest in many of them, often arranging internships and job interviews.

"As we celebrate the dedication of Goldstein Hall, we celebrate the spirit of the man whose name this stately building now bears," remarked Joachim Scholz, provost and dean of the College, "and we rededicate ourselves to the ideals his example has bequeathed to us."

Toll Wins Leadership Award

COLLEGE President John S. Toll was selected from the Middle Atlantic district to receive the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education's (CASE) Chief Executive Leadership Award.

The CASE award recog-

nizes Dr. Toll for his exemplary accomplishments in higher education, his transformation of Washington College during his five-year tenure and his outstanding efforts to promote understanding and support of education throughout his career.

CASE is an organization of 2,900 colleges, universities and independent schools in the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom and numerous other countries.

The Middle Atlantic district includes Delaware, the District of Columbia, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Ontario, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Fire Disrupts Campus Routine

A FIRE THAT broke out on the ground floor of Hodson Hall on September 23 completely gutted the student government office there and caused smoke damage throughout much of the building. The student center, the snack bar and the main dining hall were closed for several days as crews completed the clean-up.

Three volunteer fire companies from Kent County responded to the fire that is thought to have originated with a photocopier. Members of the Black Student Alliance gathered in the student center for a social event that evening discovered the fire and called for help.

After firemen put out the blaze, it was the displaced Dining Services staff that felt the heat. Their challenge was to serve three meals a day to hundreds of students without using the main dining hall. Within hours of the



Margaret Goldstein Janney '76
told the crowd that her father was known in college as "Kid Sparkle" because of the twinkle in his eye. She and other family members cut the ribbon at the dedication ceremony.

fire's discovery, David Knowles '72, director of dining services, and his staff had worked out the logistics to serve meals simultaneously in two alternate locations: Hynson Lounge, which seats 125, and the Casey Academic Center gallery, set up to seat another 100. Weather permitting, students used the "grab and go" set-up to dine al fresco.

"Students from all over campus stopped to notice the exceptional job that the Dining Services has done in responding to the closing of the main dining hall," noted *Elm* editor Michael Duck. "They were also appreciative of having free snacks available," he said. During the weeks following the fire, the Dining Services offered cookies, fruit and beverages between meals and throughout the evening, both in the Casey Academic Center and in Hynson Lounge.

"It was wonderful to see people come together and respond in such a positive way," commented Knowles. "And I learned a lot. It was like a graduate course in emergency management."

Professional cleaning crews were brought in immediately, while dining staff prepared to serve all hot meals in Hynson Lounge and cold buffers in the CAC gallery.

"We were fortunate that Hynson Lounge is on a different air circulation system," noted Knowles.

In keeping with the prevailing "making lemonade out of lemons" attitude, Washington College administrators also intend to use this opportunity to redesign the student center. Suggestions include improving the performance space and enhancing the recreational atmosphere with better seating arrangements, decor and lighting. ▶



Trout Portrait Unveiled

WASHINGTON College unveiled the presidential portrait of Dr. Charles H. Trout on September 16. A noted social historian, Trout served as the College's 24th president from 1990 until 1995.

As president, Trout focused on strengthening the institution's academic standing and attracting a more diverse student body. Under his leadership, Washington College added programs in Chesapeake regional studies, neuroscience and gender studies. Minority student enrollment, including a broad international student component, tripled to fifteen percent. Under his leadership, the College's endowment grew from \$19 million to \$27 million.

Dr. Trout also set the stage for much of what Washington College has accomplished in recent years: the launching of academic centers that take advantage of the College's rich history, institutional strengths and

attending the presidential portrait unveiling are (from left) William B. Johnson '40, President John Toll, former President Charles H. Trout and portrait artist Lisa Egeli. The portrait will hang in the Johnson Lifetime Fitness Center.

Eastern Shore locale; attracting more diverse and more able students; and building modern academic facilities.

Prior to his tenure at Washington College, Dr. Trout taught history and served as provost at Colgate University. He previously had been Chairman of the Department of History at Mount Holyoke College. While at Mount Holyoke, he was named a National Endowment for the Humanities Senior Fellow. In 1978-79, he was a Charles Warren Fellow at Harvard University. He began his teaching career at The Hill School in Pottstown, PA, and at The Phillips Exeter Academy in Exeter, NH. ▶

Glen Shipway '65 hopes to increase awareness of planned giving among the alumni body.

Shipway Leads GW Society

NO ONE knows more about the value of financial planning than those working in the financial marketplace. And few Washington College alumni are as appreciative of their college education as Glen Shipway '65, a member of the Board of Visitors and Governor since 1999.

That made Shipway, the chief executive officer of Primex Trading and former executive vice president of NASDAQ, "the ideal choice" for new leadership of the George Washington Society, says Don Moore, associate vice president for development. Shipway succeeds Barbara Townsend Cromwell '55, who served as chair for four years.

The George Washington Society recognizes those who have made provisions for Washington College through planned giving. Members may give to the College either through life income and deferred gifts, or through bequests.

Shipway, who came to Washington College on a scholarship, agreed to serve on the board, in part, to repay his debt to Washington



College and to make it possible for today's students to enjoy the same educational advantages he had.

"I have always been grateful for the financial assistance I received that made my education possible," says Shipway, a former mathematics major. About a year ago, through his own estate plans, he made provisions to bequeath money to Washington College for scholarships.

After graduation, he spent two years with E. I. DuPont deNemours, and then volunteered for the U.S. Army, spending his last year of service in Vietnam.

In 1967, he launched his career as an examiner with the National Association of Security Dealers and in 1973 moved to Interstate Securities Corporation in Charlotte, NC. During his 16 years there, he managed virtually all areas that involved risk and the trading of the firm's capital, including option and commodities departments, New York and American Stock Exchange floor operations, corporate bond trading and proprietary trading.

From 1989 until 1999, Shipway worked for the NASDAQ Stock Market, where he was responsible for market services. As a senior member of the management team, he successfully planned, launched and operated the ACT, SelectNet and OTC Bulletin Board systems. He also played an integral part in every major rule change involving trading, systems and market structure in the past ten years.

He left NASDAQ to run Primex Trading, a developer of electronic auction market systems for the financial industry. Primex Auction System is the first to automate the trading principles employed by traditional stock exchanges. ▶

Spilich Accepts Toll Chair

THE BOARD of Visitors and Governors of Washington College recently raised \$2 million to endow a new chair in honor of College President John Toll, one of the most highly regarded educators in the nation. This fall, the Board named as the inaugural chairholder a senior faculty member who, over the past decade, has transformed the psychology department into a top academic performer.

"Of all the faculty members who do not already hold endowed professorships or chairs, George Spilich, professor and chair of the department of psychology, is outstanding in his teaching,



research and service to the College," noted Toll. "Everyone knows he is a gifted teacher, but not all colleagues realize that he has done some very important research. He is a marvelous leader who maintains very high standards for both his students and his faculty. In addition to these qualities, his selfless efforts to help students and to promote Washington College made

George Spilich, professor of psychology, stresses the importance of hands-on learning and undergraduate research.

him the logical choice for the John Toll Chair."

George Spilich is a champion of undergraduate research who, several years ago, worked with his colleagues to revamp the department's curriculum to emphasize engaged learning. He and his department members endeavor to get students involved in research as early as their freshman year, and continue to guide them through their academic studies and to train them to use the most sophisticated research techniques, laboratory equipment and instructional technology available.

As a direct result, Washington College, among its liberal arts and sciences

IN MEMORIAM

Carl T. Rowan H'96

Carl Rowan, a prominent African American journalist who established the Project Excellence scholarship program for minority students, died on September 23, 2000. He was 75.

Rowan was a syndicated columnist, a radio commentator and the author of eight books, including biographies of baseball great Jackie Robinson and Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall. For 30 years he was a regular on what is now called "Inside Washington," a weekly political talk show. A self-proclaimed "crusader for racial justice," Rowan founded Project Excellence in 1987 to help young black high school students from the greater Washington area achieve great things.

In May 1996 Washington College awarded Rowan the honorary Doctor of Letters degree in recognition of his achievements as a writer and champion of minorities, and for inspiring young blacks to overcome adversity through education. Through Project Excellence, Rowan helped to provide minority students the tools and the opportunity they needed to build self-esteem, to go to college and to excel in their chosen fields. On the same day he received his honorary degree, the College was graduating its first two Project Excellence Scholars.

With the support of the Morris and Gwendolyn Cafritz Foundation, Washington College has sponsored ten Project Excellence Scholars, including three current undergraduates. Among WC's Project Excellence Scholars, Mark Stephens is attending medical school, Dericka Scott is in engineering school, and Hope Glover, an international studies and Spanish major, is Program Assistant for the NSEP Graduate Fellowships at the Academy for Educational Development in Washington, DC.



peers, graduates a disproportionately higher number of students who go on to earn the Ph.D. and M.D. degrees, and national test scores in psychology have skyrocketed. In May 2000, the College's graduating psychology majors scored at the 91st percentile on the Educational Testing Services' national outcomes exam in psychology, and at the 98% percentile in behavioral neuroscience, a concentration established in 1992. This graduating class of 33 was awarded three-quarters of a million dollars in graduate scholarships and stipends.

The program in psychology and behavioral neuroscience has been identified as a national leader in faculty-student research, averaging about 40 student co-authors per year at peer-reviewed professional conferences. Faculty also publish with student co-authors in peer-reviewed professional journals.

Spilich's own research investigates how performance of skilled tasks such as driving and reading are affected by nicotine or alcohol. Other investigations with colleagues at universities here in the U.S. and abroad deal with neurodegenerative diseases such as multiple sclerosis and Alzheimer's disease; sex differences in cognitive processes; and visuospatial memory.

Spilich has published extensively in the area of human memory and performance. In addition to several articles underway with student co-authors and colleagues, Spilich is working on a book project, *Tobacco, Nicotine and Cognitive Performance*, and a CD-based multimedia text, *Cognitive Neuroscience for Everyone!*

Spilich joined the WC faculty in 1979 and has served as department chair

IN MEMORIAM

Don Kelly

Don Kelly, former lacrosse coach at Washington College, died June 23, 2000, in Chestertown. He was 87. Kelly began coaching the men's lacrosse teams at the College in 1957 while he was running his own automobile dealership in Chestertown. Through his efforts, Kelly was able to bring the Sho'men four Strobar Division Championships and later make them NCAA championship contenders in 1970s.

Kelly was a true athlete his whole life, on the field as a player and off the field as a coach. Born in Baltimore, he attended Friends School, where he was the captain of the football, basketball and lacrosse teams. He graduated *cum laude* in 1930 and attended Johns Hopkins University, where he became one of the school's all-time great sportsmen. In addition to numerous letters, he won All-Maryland honors and was chosen for the All-American Lacrosse Team for four straight years. He also played on the 1932 Olympic Lacrosse Team.

During his coaching career at Washington College, Don served as a member of the NCAA Rules Committee and was honored by his peers as "Coach of the Year" in 1966. In 1995, he was presented with Johns Hopkins' highest athletic honor, induction in the Johns Hopkins Hall of Fame, which lauded his "finesse stickwork, isolations, fast-break lacrosse" style of play.

Kelly practiced a gentle coaching style that encouraged creativity in modifying the game's style of play. "He viewed lacrosse as a very beautiful game to play," said Bryan Matthews, the College's Director of Athletics, who played under Kelly from 1971 to 1975. "He was very low-key and laid-back, but also very competitive." During those years, Kelly made the Sho'men a contending NCAA team by playing a mixed schedule of Division I and III schools, even going on to national championships in 1971 and 1972.

Kelly is survived by his wife, Delphine Stewart Barroll Kelly, five daughters, three stepsons, 14 grandchildren and four step-grandchildren.

since 1983. Under the Fulbright Research Scholars program, he was a visiting research associate professor of neurology and nuclear medicine at the University of Zagreb Hospitals in Croatia in 1988-89. He served on the Board of Directors of the Eastern Psychological Association from 1995 to 1998, and is serving his second three-year term as Councilor to the Psychology Division of the Council for Undergraduate Research. Spilich won the Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching in 1990. Spilich believes his recent appointment carries the expectation for continued accomplishments.

"An endowed chair named for John Toll comes with the responsibility to work with faculty, students

and alumni to elevate the national reputation of Washington College. I'll have to do something really big in the next year or two."

Johnsons Endow Internships

LAST SUMMER, one Washington College junior helped a glass manufacturing company in Austria to launch a new product. Another student helped to generate new business for a financial advising firm in Baltimore. Both internships were made possible by a newly endowed business internship program that enables students to broaden



PHOTO: H. HUTCHINSON '59

their exposure to business and to gain experiences they otherwise could not afford to pursue. The William B. Johnson Business Internship Award covered Anita Palac's travel and housing expenses in Austria and supported James Malena during the term of his internship with Legg Mason.

The annual Johnson Business Internship Awards, honoring College trustee Bill Johnson '40, were established in 1998 on the occasion of his 80th birthday by his children: Benjamin H. Johnson, Kirk B. Johnson and Kathleen Johnson Browning. The Johnsons recently endowed the internship with \$100,000, which was matched one-to-one by The Hodson Trust.

"The Johnsons have a

genuine desire to expand the experiences of students at WC, and they recognize that internships give students the opportunity to put into practice what they've learned in the classroom," notes Terry Scout, professor and chair of the College's business management department. "The idea of the Johnson internship program is to provide students greater flexibility; to enable them to take unpaid internships, to do an internship in an expensive city like New York or Chicago, or to go abroad."

Malena, a business management major from Hyde Park, NY, worked directly with a financial adviser with Legg Mason in Baltimore. "Through this internship I was able to see directly what goes on in the business of investment management," said Malena, "and that's exactly what I want to do. I've made some contacts, and feel I'm in a pretty good position to launch my career."

Anita Palac, a German-speaking business management major from Croatia, landed an internship with Glasmashinen, one of Europe's leading glass manufacturers. As the company's

first intern, she played a role in developing a strategy and promotion plan for Skinlight, setting product price, and creating an advertising campaign for a new product. She also was part of the media planning group that successfully introduced the product in Munich.

"This campaign implemented many of the theories I had learned in class," Palac says. "It helped me realize that it is very important to have at least some basic theory in all of the business areas and, even more importantly, to have some real business experience. By actually trying to use the theory in everyday business situations, I was compelled to think more critically and to think on my feet."

WC Students Contribute To School Success

BARBARA GILLIN, lecturer in education at Washington College and a third grade teacher with Kent County Public Schools, has reached a benchmark in Maryland elementary education. Not



PHOTO: JAMES MARTINEZ

With the assistance of College students, Barbara Gillin can spend more time one-on-one with her third-graders.

only did Kent County schools rank first on the Maryland School Performance Assessment Program testing, but the combined third grade classes at Garnett Elementary School, where Gillin has taught since 1986, had one of the highest scores among African American males in Maryland.

Their success, she asserts, comes in no small measure thanks to their good neighbors, the students of Washington College. Through academic initiatives such as the new elementary education program and through various outreach programs, College students are playing important roles as teaching assistants, classroom aides and mentors at Garnett, which the State of Maryland recently designated as a professional development school. This semester, five freshmen and sophomores are teacher apprentices.

Whereas the secondary student-teacher goes into the classroom after four years of college and works with one teacher, this program gets future teachers into the classroom much earlier and gives them the flexibility to work with several teachers.

"We could not do what we're doing without Washington College's support," Gillin says. "In addition to our professional development students who accept small

roles in teaching, we have work-study students who do filing and photocopying. We have secondary majors completing field experiences. We have student-athlete mentors who run the Character Counts program. We have the entire men's lacrosse team reading to our students. Every day we have a student who comes into the room to help in some capacity. All these people coming into the building has made a huge difference. Without the College, we'd fall short."

WC Opens Baltimore Office

WITH AN ever-growing number of alumni, parents and friends in the greater Baltimore area, Washington College is working to enhance and expand its role in this region. As part of this effort, Susannah Chase Wittich '90 has opened a Baltimore office for the College.

Wittich was assistant director of development at

Anita Palac (left) and James Malena won Johnson Business Internship Awards last summer.



PHOTO: JAMES MARTINEZ

Washington College for one year before being named director of the annual fund at Cabrini College, where she worked from 1991 to 1995. She returned to WC in 1999 as special projects coordinator for the development office.

Speaking about the new office, Vice President for Development and Alumni Affairs Robert Smith said: "With more than 1,500 members of our overall alumni body living in the Baltimore area, it is time to have a College representative close at hand. Washington College's history is deeply entwined with Baltimore, and we want to celebrate that connection with a stronger presence for the College in Baltimore."

Kevin O'Keefe '74, Managing Director of the Baltimore office of Shandwick International and Emeritus member of the Board of Trustees, is assisting this effort by hosting two small alumni focus group sessions. College leaders hope these candid conversations with alumni will bring out suggestions for how the College can strengthen its relationship with the Baltimore constituency. □

College Builds New Housing

AS THE COLLEGE faces the prospect of increasingly bigger classes and the demand for better housing, the College has completed the first phase of a complex of ten garden apartments planned for the north end of campus. Four units opened just weeks after the College enrolled its largest entering class in history.

This fall, the College welcomed 374 freshmen and 35 transfer students to campus, bringing total full-time undergraduate enrollment to 1,130. Many of those incoming freshmen spent the first semester squeezed into close quarters, knowing they would be the first residents of apartment buildings named for Western Shore counties of Maryland: Montgomery, Howard, Carroll and Frederick.

The garden-style apartments were erected near the baseball field, on the site where several temporary housing units once stood. Each two-story building

houses sixteen students in suites of four.

"These apartments will become our most desirable housing," notes Maureen McIntire, vice president for student affairs. "They provide the privacy of a single room and the companionship of sharing space with friends. They have the feel of an apartment with the convenience of being on campus. It offers students the best of both worlds."

Two more apartment buildings could be in place as early as September 2001, when the College closes two 1960s-vintage dormitories for major renovation.

The housing boom coincides with a swell in applications to Washington College that appears to be continuing. The first Admissions Open House this semester attracted 375 prospective students, instead of the usual 50 or 60. The College, though, expects to maintain slow and steady growth. In this admissions cycle, the College will apply a more rigorous set of admission criteria in order to select an entering freshman class of approximately 325 men and women.

Last year's admissions effort exceeded the target of

300 new students because more admitted students than usual actually enrolled, explains Kevin Coveney, vice president for admissions and enrollment man-



Four new apartment buildings have replaced the Cardinal units on the north end of campus and are easing this year's housing crunch.

agement. Typically, 22 percent of admitted applicants enroll. This year, that figure jumped to 25 percent.

Coveney attributes the increased level of interest in Washington College to several factors. Even as the number of high school students increases nationwide, the College has become more visible to prospective students and the people who influence them. "A successful fundraising campaign, several prominent visitors, and program additions all have elevated the College's profile," he says, "and we've done a better job of communicating the College's attributes to prospects via our publications, telecounseling, direct mail outreach and web-based resources."

College leaders agree that students choosing Washington College haven't necessarily been swayed by the housing options. Today's students prefer to live in modern, comfortable rooms that feel more like home—and preferably without a roommate. For that reason, all planned new residences will be designed as a series of suites—single rooms with a common living area. □

Women's Soccer Shatters Record Books

NIN SPORTS, success is measured in wins and losses. When Washington College began its varsity women's soccer program in 1998, success was not expected this quickly.

In just three years of varsity competition, the Shorewomen's soccer team, mentored by Washington College alumna Eleanor



The women's soccer team, shown here in a contest with Villa Julie College, was 8-11 this season. Courtney Riso (in white) is Washington College's leading scorer.

Shriver '93, has broken several records and is in the midst of their most successful season in school history. In its first year, the first women's varsity soccer team ended their season with a record of 2-13. They only scored 11 goals, and their opponents outshot them 378 to 139. In the second season, the Shorewomen finished 4-13, but were held scoreless in nine games.

Now, at the end of their third season of varsity play, the Shorewomen are 8-11. At this point, the women's soccer team has scored more goals and won more games than the past two years combined.

Much of the Shorewomen's success is due to Shriver's determination on the field, and her recruiting efforts. "We have worked hard to recruit good people to raise the level of women's soccer at Washington College," she says. "Our players do well academically and athletically, which has been displayed by our team GPA from last year (3.0) and our record 8 wins this season (so far)," said Shriver. "The tradition of women's soccer at WC is strengthened every day by the dedication that

this team has shown this fall."

Freshman Courtney Riso became the College's all-time leading scorer in just one season, with thirteen goals. Niki Dennison, who scored seven goals for the entire 1999 season, held the previous record. "It has been a great experience to be a part of a developing program," says Dennison, who is senior captain.

In one of their biggest wins this season, the Shorewomen defeated Swarthmore College, 4-3. This was the first time the women's soccer team was able to overcome the Garnet Tide. Sophomore Sarah Polhamus scored the winning goal with 7:08 remaining in the game. In 1999, Swarthmore shut out the Shorewomen, 3-0.

The Shorewomen shattered their record for goals scored in a game by five, crushing Averett College 13-0.

The team's high before this season was eight goals, versus Hood College in 1999. This season they have outshot their opponents 273 to 239 and have recorded five shutouts, more than the past two years combined. □

kept score, but we weren't severely outmanned. Even with 21 freshmen on the team, we held our own. The one message they took away from this tournament is that a good team takes advantage of another team's mistakes. In order to be a team that's very good, they must limit their own mistakes and take advantage of the other team's mistakes."

The team also was touched by the spirit of giving behind the competition. Washington played for Joshua Peeling, a first-grader at Redeemer Classical Christian School in Baltimore who had been diagnosed with acute lymphocytic leukemia in August of 1995. Clarke, the father of two, said his players also could not help noticing a little girl the same age as his youngest, who was obviously very sick. "They felt good about giving something back."

Among Division III competitors this spring, Clarke says, his young team will be playing the toughest schedule in the country. He hopes to have them whipped into shape in time for the Centennial Conference tournament in mid-April. □

Shoremen Tangle Top Teams For Leukemia

THIS FALL, the men's lacrosse team helped to raise more than \$10,000 for the fight against leukemia, in the company of some very distinguished programs.

The Price-Modern Lacrosse for Leukemia Fall Tournament, held in Owings Mills, MD, in October, brought together some of the top programs in college lacrosse for a good cause. Participants included Butler, Cornell, Georgetown, Johns Hopkins, Loyola College, the U.S. Naval Academy, Ohio State, Towson, University of Maryland Baltimore County, University of Maryland and University of North Carolina. Washington College was the only Division III competitor.

"This tournament allowed us to play against some of the best schools in the country and to learn a lot about ourselves as a team," notes Head Coach J. B. Clarke. "No one

Fifty Guinea Club Pushes Campaign To \$62 Million

A GROUP OF benefactors is matching George Washington's first commitment to the College and helping to propel the Campaign for Washington's College to nearly \$62 million.

The Fifty Guinea Club, a new giving club co-founded by Trustee Emeritus James Price and College Trustee

Sheryl Kerr, honors George Washington's original gift to the College. It also recognizes those donors whose extreme generosity to the College today sets an example for others and assures the future of the institution.

Members include individuals who commit \$50,000 over and above other campaign gifts pledged over three years. Unless otherwise designated, these contributions will be added to an endowment to be used at the discretion of the President.

The College's most generous donors to the Campaign are among the 25 current members of the Fifty Guinea Club. Similarly, George Washington was the largest donor to the first fund-raising campaign for Washington College. He gave 50 guineas. A total of 294 subscribers contributed 5,992 pounds, 14 shillings and six pence. When this fact was presented to the General Assembly in 1782, it issued a "declaration of trust...and acceptable assurance," granted a charter and authorized the first college in the state "to receive gifts and grants from any persons, bodies politic and corporate." According to an authoritative history of the College written by Fred W. Dumschott, "in 1781, the amount of specie in circula-

tion within the state did not exceed 100,000 pounds."

When noted actress and National Endowment for the Arts Director Jane Alexander received an honorary degree from the College in 1997, she asserted that 50 guineas was, in 1782, "a princely sum, enough to buy a sizable tract of land, build and furnish an impressive home, and add a few outbuildings." She went on to say, "taking the standard rate of inflation of 3.4 percent, an equivalent in today's economy would be \$427,863. If the founders had invested that money at five percent, Washington's gift today would be worth a whopping \$9,436,884."

Since there is not a completely accurate way of calculating the value of 50 guineas in today's dollars, James Price, Honorary Campaign Co-Chair, and Sheryl Kerr, Chair of the Board of Visitors and Governors Development Committee, decided \$50,000 would be an appropriate level for matching George Washington's contribution. Price and Kerr set a goal of 50 members by the end of the Campaign.

For more information, please contact Robert G. Smith, Vice President for Development and Alumni Affairs, at 410-778-7804. ▶



Sheryl Kerr (left) and W. James Price, founding members of a new gift club honoring George Washington's stewardship, are asking supporters to give another \$50,000, as a close approximation of 50 guineas.



A Good Walk Unspoiled: Exploring Biological Communities In Maine

By Professor Martin Connaughton

WAITING FOR the sun, we danced about in the cold predawn dimness atop the stone coping lining the top of Cadillac Mountain. When the sun finally rose, it was spectacular. Rose, then red, then orange highlighted the endless islands and coves of Downeast Maine, set Frenchman's Bay on fire, and illuminated the sleeping village of Bar Harbor below us. With this sunrise our adventure on Mount Desert Island ended. We boarded our two College vans and began the eleven-and-a-half-hour ride to Chestertown.

We had arrived two weeks earlier—eleven students, two recent graduates acting as teaching assistants, and myself. Our goals were to learn some biology, see as much as possible of Acadia National Park, and have some fun doing it. I am happy to say that

we succeeded on all counts. I had designed the course, Community Ecology of Coastal Maine, in my imagination well before I took a position with the biology department at Washington College. My wife, Vikki, and I had spent the summer of 1996 doing research at the Mount Desert Island Biological Laboratory and getting to know the park on the weekends. By the end of that summer, I had decided that if the power to do so was ever put in my hands, I was going to share this wonderful island and its bounty of biological communities with students.

The students knew from the start that we would be doing quite a bit of hiking during the course, and I had warned them repeatedly of two things over the past two months; buy your boots early and break them in, and bring warm clothes! Mid-afternoon

of our first day found us at the top of Cadillac Mountain, huddled behind a rock out of the wind to protect ourselves from the 24°F wind chill. To their credit, everyone was dressed warmly, most more comfortably than I was, and there were only two blisters among the lot. On our way back down the mountain, we saw a van from Gettysburg College in the parking lot and, not far from it, a gaggle of students being lectured to by a professorial-looking fellow. We hiked by in fine spirits, hoisting our packs and weathering our aches with small secret smiles on our faces. We had gotten here the hard way.

By design, each of our forays into the park led us to a distinct community (a community is a biological term for all of the species interacting in a given area). As a result, each day was unique in some way. We hiked through darkened hemlock forests so thick that the sky was lost

overhead, and through sunny glades of waist-high grass and birch trees with bark that shone white. We visited a magnificent old-growth spruce forest where the canopy was a hundred feet overhead and the ground was clear of undergrowth, but carpeted in inches of soft pine needles and lush green moss. The hush of this place reminded me of nothing so much as the massive grandeur of a cathedral.

To reach our goals, we scrambled up millennia-old rockslides, traversed ever-steepening switchback trails, navigated boulder-strewn stream beds and narrow water-carved ravines. The tops of most of the mountains in Acadia National Park are bald granite slopes dotted with low, cling bushes and twisted dwarf pines carved like nightmare topiaries by the extreme winds. It was these bare peaks which led Samuel De Champlain, a French captain, to name the

island "L'Isle des Monte Déserts," the island of deserted mountains. The open nature of these peaks results in spectacular 360° panoramic views of other glacier-carved peaks and lakes as well as the ocean and

numerous small islands surrounding Mount Desert Island.

On a cool, rainy day we visited the boreal bog. The weather worked in our favor, as it kept the mosquitoes down. If you have never seen a native Maine mosquito, let's just say they are rumored to be capable of flying off with small children. To access the bog we had to cross through a stretch of dead black spruce forest, where the trees were so close-set that the branches tugged at our ponchos and packs as we moved. More than one of us voiced the opinion that we expected the flying monkeys of the Wicked Witch of the West to descend upon us at any moment. Once onto the bog proper, we were no longer standing on solid ground. A boreal bog is not a place of mud; rather, it is a tangle of interwoven moss hummocks literally floating over shallow water. When we bounced up and down, the ground moved with us and we could see the ground ripple outward, like water from the site of a dropped pebble. There was no exhilarating climb to reach this place, nor were there spectacular views, but this may have been the most unique community we visited, and as such it touched each of us.

In addition to the plethora of terrestrial communities we visited, we also had the opportunity to visit a number of shoreline marine communities, including the rocky intertidal zone and tide pools, both rare on the East Coast of the U.S. The curiosity, enthusiasm and wonder that characterized the students during this trip were never more evident than during our visit to the tidal riffle at Ship Harbor. At this site the tide ebbed from and flooded into a shallow embayment through a nar-

row channel. The tide never fully exposed the rocks over which it flowed, which resulted in a rich and diverse marine community. Under every rock was an array of marine invertebrates more diverse than many of the aquariums I have visited—starfish, sea cucumbers, brittle stars, sea anemones, marine annelids, sea urchins, mussels, snails and others. The students were enchanted, the happy babble of their voices carrying the excitement of a day at Disney World, and all this over the wonders of biology!

As the sun rose behind us and the feeling returned to my fingertips and nose, I privately assessed the course. The lecture and exams had gone well, our evening discussions of the day's events had been productive, all the reports summarizing the data collected during our hikes had been finished . . . all that flashed though my mind in an instant. What played over and over in my head were the moments of wonder and joy we had shared; the places we had been, the paths we had hiked, the sights we had seen. Perhaps the only thing better than experiencing a thing of beauty is being able to share it with someone else who appreciates it. □

(Opposite) From atop Mansell Mountain, Professor Connaughton's students had a great view of the Cranberry Islands. At left, students leave Bar Harbor and the Great Meadow behind as they make their way up Dorr Mountain.



When he is not hiking through biological communities, Martin Connaughton enjoys taking students in his marine and estuarine biology class out on the Chester River.

Ireton Answers A Question Of Balance

SEAN IRETON '88, A YOUNG PROFESSOR living in the Pacific Northwest, has taken his scholarship to new heights as he balances his love of German literature and philosophy with the call of the wild.

"I grew up hiking in the Adirondacks, so living in a wilder, less-populated region has always been a personal preference," says Ireton, originally of Schenectady, NY. Now assistant professor of German at Washington State University in Pullman, he routinely ventures into the Pacific Northwest backcountry.

"I travel and camp with my family, but I also hike alone. It gets you away from the artificiality of the world. You're living with what's on your back, very simplistically, for your next meal, your next sleep."

Ireton's enthusiasm for German language and literature as an undergraduate led him to complete immersion in the culture. He spent a year and a half studying at the Johannes Gutenberg University in Mainz, Germany, before finishing his undergraduate degree in 1988. That same year, he returned to Germany with a Fulbright scholarship to study the works of Klaus Mann, son of famous novelist Thomas Mann. Between 1989 and 1991, he attended the University of California at Davis to complete his

master of arts degree in German. Ireton once again returned to Germany where a new interest absorbed him—philosophy, particularly the works of Nietzsche, Heidegger and the Existentialist movement. He studied privately while taking some time off from graduate school.

"I've always been a voracious reader," says Ireton. "The time off helped me to refocus and rededicate myself to my true intellectual interests. I returned to the United States in 1994 to complete

my doctorate and chose the University of Washington in Seattle. I liked Seattle's diverse, enlightened culture, and the university's graduate German program allowed me the flexibility to pursue freely my interests in both German literature and philosophy. Many programs do not allow this crossover."

In December 1998, Ireton received his Ph.D. and continued to teach as an adjunct faculty member at the university. But like

it," he says. "And, of course, you are without a regular source of income for awhile." But for Ireton, the achievement of academic freedom and the chance to lead a life focusing on teaching and knowledge were worth it.

Climbing alone through the tall timber and shaded forests of the Cascades, you round a bend in the trail to notice suddenly that you are standing in the personal space of an adult black bear. Head down, rooting through the ursine delicacies that only a rotten stump can offer, the bear is just slightly too preoccupied with its snack to notice your arrival. But, in split seconds, the bear looks up, squeals and runs into the forest. Fight? Flight? It all races by too quickly to analyze. Man surprises bear, bear surprises man, bear runs... this time. A strange experience, but

one that typifies the simple, raw, unmediated experiences that clear and refresh Ireton's mind—the perfect foil to the bookish scholar, the necessary balance in his life.

With a touch of nostalgia, he also says that the town of Pullman reminds him of a German university town, with the university located on a high hill with the town below. Whereas Germany lacked the wild places, Pullman is close enough to the mountain trails of Idaho and western Montana to draw Ireton from the books and classrooms to a life lived more directly, simply, without interpretation—existence before essence, an existentialist philosopher might say. □

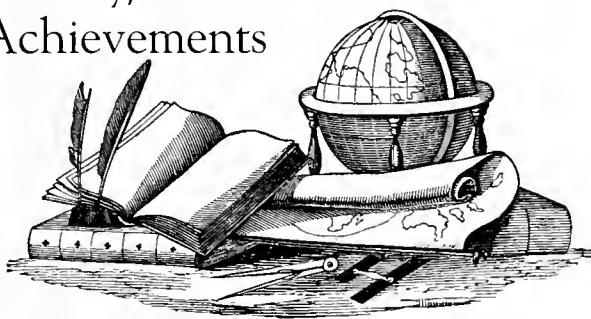


Sean Ireton, now married and the father of a two-year-old son, Aidan, enjoyed hiking with his family this summer in the Grand Tetons of Wyoming.

many schools, the University of Washington will only allow its graduates to teach for two years. This propelled Ireton into the most challenging part of the academic life—the job search.

"It's tough—the interviewing, the competition, the lack of choice you have in your destiny, particularly in location. These are the most unappetizing parts of

Faculty/Staff Achievements



TOM COUSINEAU, professor of English, attended the annual meeting of the Board of Directors of "La Maison Samuel-Beckett" in Roussillon, France.

DOUG DARNOWSKI, assistant professor of biology, reviewed a paper on transgenic plants with increased resistance to insect attack for *Plant Cell Reports*. He also gave a talk at the 2000 International Carnivorous Plant Society meeting on several projects he is conducting with students on carnivorous plants and triggerplants. He had two book reviews accepted by the Botanical Society of America for *The Plant Science Bulletin*, attended the Educational Publishing Institute in Pennsylvania, had accepted for publication an article called "A Little Bit of Oz in Maryland" in *The Bulletin of the Australian Carnivorous Plant Society*, and was co-author on an abstract presented at a meeting of the American Society of Plant Physiologists.

MELISSA DECKMAN, assistant professor of political science, had her article, "School Board Elections and the Christian Right: Strategies and Tactics at the Grassroots," published in the *American Review of Politics*.

She won a research grant from the Association for the Sociology of Religion to study the politics of women clergy, and she presented a paper at the meeting of the American Political Science Association.

THOMAS J. FINNEGAN, professor of physical education, has completed his Ph.D. in modern intellectual history and literature from Drew University.

LISA GRAHAM, lecturer in German, spent several weeks this summer in China as Washington College's exchange professor with Jiao Tong University in Shanghai. She also revised *The Complete Idiot's Guide to Learning German*, 2nd edition, published by Macmillan.

MICHAEL HARVEY, assistant professor of business management, was named to the Maryland Board of Examiners for the 2000 U.S. Senate Productivity and Maryland Quality Awards. He has signed a contract with Hackett Publishing Company to publish his writing guide, "The Nuts and Bolts of College Writing." He recently presented three papers: "Leadership as a Liberal Art" at the meeting of the Eastern Academy of Manage-

ment; "Teaching an Online Seminar: Critical Reflections" at the meeting of the International Business School Computing Association; and "The Lion, the Fox, and the Corporate Trainer: Machiavelli and Modern Management" at the meeting of the American Political Science Association.

This summer, assistant professor of psychology LAUREN LITTLEFIELD, with research student Rielle Miller, co-authored an instructional module called "Understanding Reading Disorders." Their work will be published and will accompany a text chapter on learning disorders.

DONALD MCCOLL, assistant professor of art history, has been invited to give a paper, "Crime and Punishment: Early Modern Images of Calvary," at the Third International Conference of the Frühe Neuzeit Interdisziplinär at Carnegie Mellon University. His review of Mitchell B. Merback's book, *The Thief, the Cross, and the Wheel*, has been posted on the College Art Association's web site, CAA.Reviews.

STEVEN ROSE, assistant professor of economics, has co-authored an article titled "The Private Provision of Public Goods: Tests of a Provision Point Mechanism for Funding Green Power Programs," that will appear in *Resource and Energy Economics*.

The Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development has awarded two grants for historic preservation to JOHN SEIDEL, assistant professor of environmental studies. One, for \$40,000, is for his "Pilot Project for Integrated Remote Sensing Survey and

Inventory for Submerged Cultural and Natural Resources." The second, for \$30,000, is for "Historical Archaeology of the Harriet Tubman and Frederick Douglass Birthplaces." As a member of the Maryland Humanities Council's Historic Advisory Panel of Scholars, Seidel is helping to formulate sound interpretive plans for developing heritage tourism.

ELEANOR SHRIVER '93, head coach of women's lacrosse, earned her master's degree in education from Goucher College last May.

KAREN SMITH, professor of physical education, was a moderator for a panel on dance injury at the Dancing in the Millennium Conference in Washington, DC. She was also a reviewer for a manuscript for ICHPER-SD Journal: "Promoting Community Collaboration: A Model for Enhancing Dance Education Programs."

JOHN TAYLOR, professor of political science, has received a contract from ABC-CLIO Press for a book tentatively titled *Right to Counsel and Privilege Against Self-Incrimination: Rights and Liberties Under the Law*. He published a book review of Donald Grier Stephenson, Jr.'s *Campaigns and the Court: The U.S. Supreme Court in Presidential Elections in The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science*.

TED WIDMER, Director of the C. V. Starr Center for the Study of the American Experience, had an article published in the *New York Observer* entitled "The Village, Vanished Arcadia, Presented by a Nostalgic Snob."

Through the Lens of CONSTANCE STUART LARRABEE

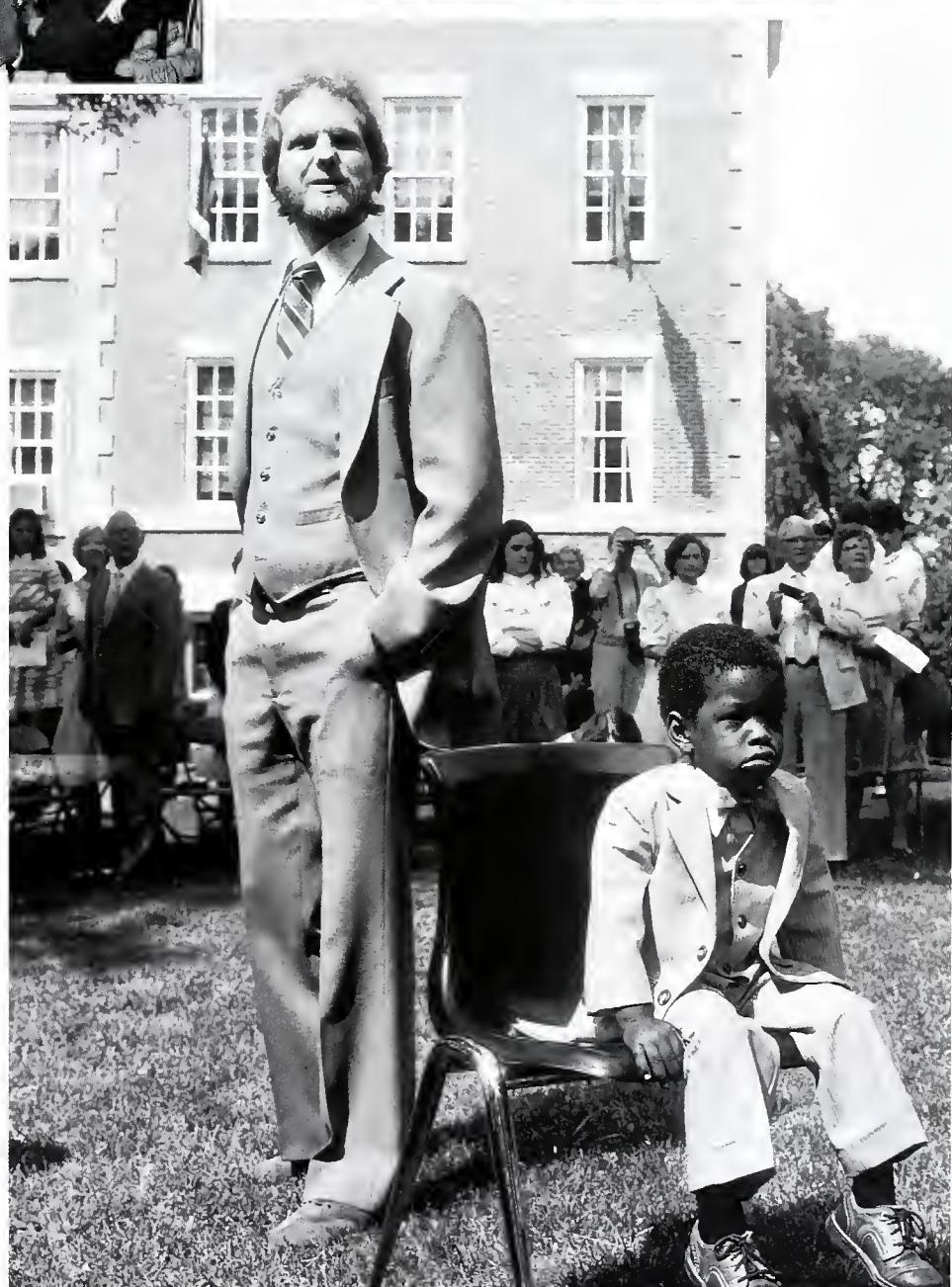
AFTER RECORDING astonishing images of the South African people and the human drama of World War II, world-renowned photographer Constance Stuart Larrabee settled on Maryland's Eastern Shore. For nearly fifty years—until her death this July—she called Chestertown home and adopted the people of Washington College as family. She faithfully attended student art shows and performances, and happily entertained special guests of the College. To encourage the study of





the arts, she established the Friends of the Arts and provided the lead gift for a studio arts center that bears her name. The College presented her with the honorary doctor of arts degree in 1986.

Over the years, Washington College has been honored to mount several exhibitions of her work. It was an even greater honor when, on special occasions, she turned her photographic eye to this historic college. The images here offer a glimpse of Washington College through the eyes of Constance Stuart Larrabee. ▶



GOOD MEDICINE MAKES GOOD *Drama*

WHEN A DOCUMENTARY FILMMAKER asked Dr. Ralph Snyderman '61 if his crew could capture the real-life dramas that occur every day at Duke University Medical Center, the chancellor for health affairs at Duke considered it good medicine for what ails the American health care system.

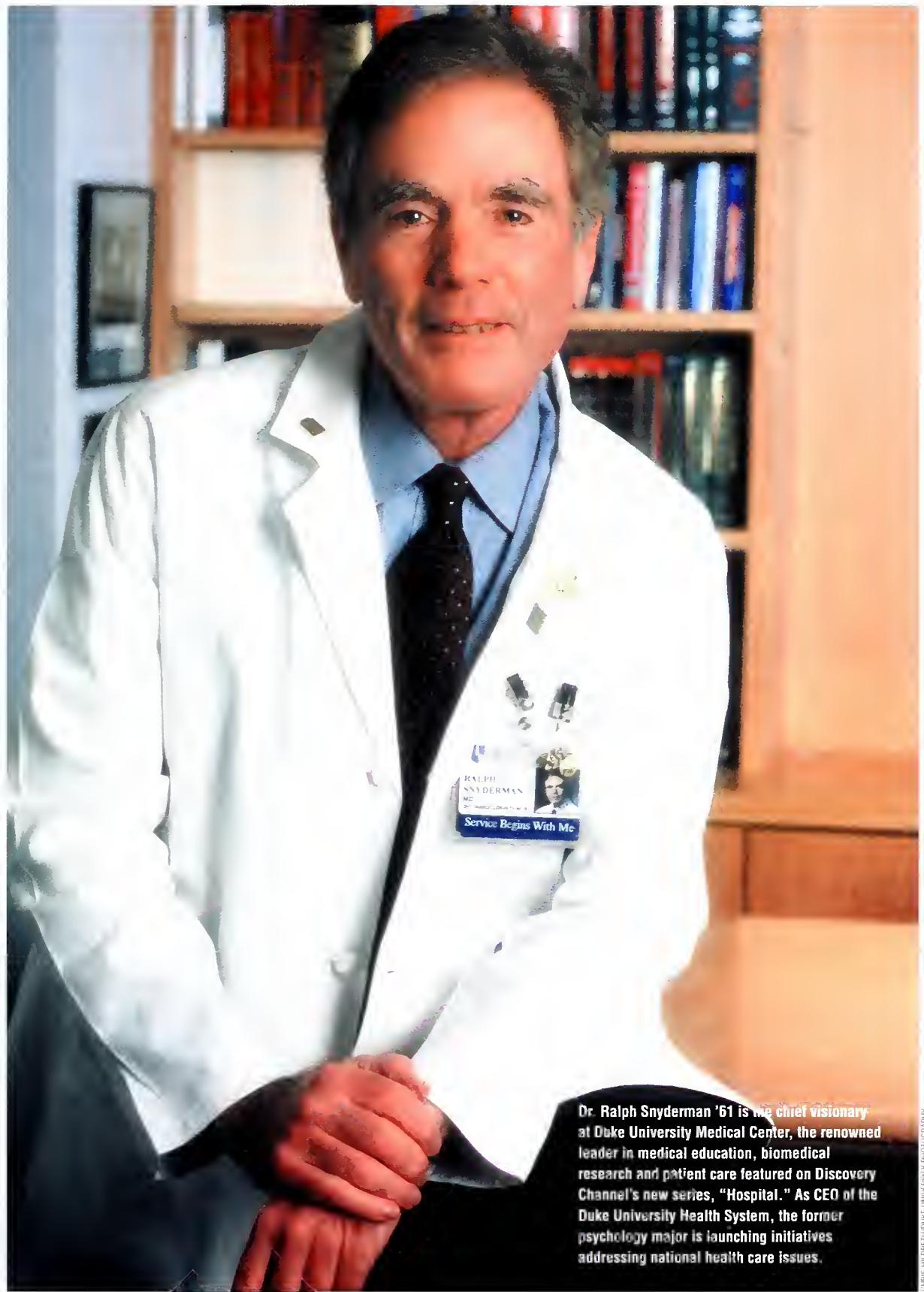
FIRST THERE WERE "Dr. Kildare" and "Marcus Welby, M.D." Then there were "Saint Elsewhere," "ER," "Chicago Hope" and "Gideon's Crossing." Now, on the rising tide of reality television and on the heels of Johns Hopkins' "24/7" comes "Hospital," a documentary television series airing this fall on Discovery Channel.

The 13-part series filmed at Duke University Medical Center during a four-month period provides a sometimes graphic view of intense and complicated medical procedures and situations. From episode to episode, viewers follow real-life characters and the stories of doctors, patients and their families as they grapple

with an array of medical problems. An elderly patient with an aortic aneurysm is brought back from the brink of death, to be surrounded by loving family. A man with brain cancer and remarkable religious faith undergoes surgery while he is awake. A woman with a complicated pregnancy delivers an infant daughter who undergoes open-heart surgery to correct a genetic defect. The fear, the heartbreak and the hope of these people are real.

Americans have long held a fascination for medical shows that dramatize the strength of the human spirit and the miracles of modern medicine. But until just recently, viewers have been treated to antiseptic versions of the truth—that sickness, vio-

BY MARCIA C. LANDSKROENER



Dr. Ralph Snyderman '61 is the chief visionary at Duke University Medical Center, the renowned leader in medical education, biomedical research and patient care featured on Discovery Channel's new series, "Hospital." As CEO of the Duke University Health System, the former psychology major is launching initiatives addressing national health care issues.

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lence, trauma and ultimately, death are very much a part of living. "Hospital" takes a good hard look at what goes on at one of the world's most renowned teaching hospitals and in all that disease and dying finds something uplifting and hopeful.

"There are certain individuals who dedicate their lives to the care of others who are in crisis," says Snyderman. "We feel it is important for the public to understand exactly what goes on in teaching hospitals, to see the tremendous commitment of our



Russell Paterson, diagnosed with brain cancer, is on his way to surgery. On camera, doctors wake him after opening the skull so they can remove the tumor without damaging his voice center.

doctors, nurses and staff, and the level of service we provide. The series also demonstrates the enormous economic and societal challenges facing America's teaching hospitals. The more the public understands about the implications of federal budget cuts in Medicare, for instance, or the uninsured, the more they will pay attention to this important political issue."

Snyderman, a clinical physician, research scientist and respected medical leader who recently joined Washington College's Board of Visitors and Governors, is also the chief executive officer of a business that employs 13,000 workers. When he took the helm as chancellor for health affairs and dean of the School of Medicine at Duke University in 1989, he vowed to make Duke one of the finest medical institutions in the world. It soon became clear, however, that teaching and research are money-losing propositions. Now, as CEO of the sprawling Duke University Health System,

Snyderman is seeking to create a thoughtful, proactive and economically viable health care delivery system for the Durham-Raleigh region of North Carolina that could be profitable enough to subsidize Duke's missions in academic medicine. Until that battle is won, however, one of Snyderman's tasks is to deal with the economics of providing the best possible health care to everyone, whether they can afford it or not.

After filming open-heart surgery on a baby girl, the removal of a malignant brain tumor and a teenaged car crash victim opting for amputation of his arm, the "Hospital" crew paid a visit to Snyderman's office. He was in a meeting, deliberating with another physician lobbying to establish an Emergency Room residency program. Duke's ER sees 60,000 patients a year. Snyderman and the ER chief discussed the ground rules of establishing such a program, and then the producer asked Snyderman to describe what it was like to run the business end of a hospital.

"The analogy I made was this," Snyderman says. "It's like having an extremely upscale restaurant open to anyone who walks by. When the diners come in we bring them a gourmet meal, vintage wine, the finest champagne. Only after they have indulged do we ask them if they have any means to pay for the meal. Most reply that they can only give us a small percentage of the bill, and some cannot pay at all."

The scene may not be as visually compelling as Duke's Life Flight team rushing to the ER with a trauma patient, but the message is equally as dramatic. What happens if hospitals as renowned as Duke can no longer afford to treat patients?

"Hospital" walks a fine line between graphic reality television and a public information documentary, says Snyderman. "The series had to balance the need for interesting stories with the importance of the message to society. I clearly was interested in the greater picture. The producer was interested in getting greater viewership. Some of the graphic scenes push the boundaries, but I believe we found an appropriate balance, mindful of issues of patient privacy and matters of taste."

The bigger picture is that America's health care system is in crisis, and that Snyderman and Duke are in the fray. "We have not had political leaders with the courage to stand up and say we have a health care system that is broken," Snyderman says. "We need to step back and consider, 'Do we need to have a system in

Dr. Greg Georgiade, chief plastic surgeon at Duke, removes the sutures from a baby whose cleft lip surgery had been filmed a week earlier.



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which 44 million Americans have no insurance; a system that provides a catastrophic policy, but only in the emergency room; a system in which the insurance companies create an arm's length relationship between the patient and the one who delivers health care?" It's not working. Having managed care controlled by the insurer doesn't make much sense. We need to put more responsibility on the individuals as purchasers of health insurance."

Snyderman believes there is a better way, and he is directing his energies toward developing models of health care delivery at Duke that make more sense. By giving people the tools and resources needed to prevent or manage chronic disease, the catastrophic costs associated with treating advanced illnesses can be avoided. "The problem is economics. The good things that we want to do—health care planning and disease prevention, things that affect chronic disease, are financial disincentives. We lose money by doing the right thing."

With the creation of the Duke University Health System, Snyderman says, the delivery of health care in the region has improved. Durham Regional Hospital, Durham's only other community hospital, could have gone under without a relationship with Duke, he says, and that association has allowed Duke to become more proactive in the community. Children are being immunized, and the poor and undereducated are being taught to manage diabetes and high blood pressure through proper diet and exercise.

"We're doing a lot of the right things," Snyderman says. "Whether the economics will support it remains to be seen."

New medical knowledge and advances in medical technology emerging from Duke's academic environment and research and clinical labs also present tremendous potential for bringing astronomical health care costs back to earth. "Through genomics and the evaluation of health risk, lifestyle and genetics, we can develop methodologies of managed health care for individuals that can actually decrease the cost of care over their lifetime."

Managing health care appropriately is the great hope for the future, Snyderman believes. Under his leadership, Duke has launched several pilot projects in developing models for delivering health care that could revolutionize the cost-effectiveness of



A nurse in the pediatric unit at Duke comforts Mackenzie Stancil, the cleft lip patient, after his sutures were removed.

medicine. In a model for treating chronic heart disease, patients working closely with their physician and a nurse practitioner develop their own individualized therapeutic plan for disease management. "Given intense instruction, patients tend to follow what needs to be done," Snyderman says. "Most physicians

erroneously think that patients do what they tell them to do. But without planning, the best intentions fall short."

Snyderman has a vision for the future of health care in America. In that vision, where medical research and clinical practice meld, Duke has the starring role.

"Duke is in a position to become a national model for delivering the very best of what academic medicine can provide to the public. As good as Duke was 12 years ago, it didn't have the clout or the visibility to be a mover in creating models of health care, generating new

knowledge, developing new clinical practices and enhancing research. There is a tremendous amount still to be done. Yet as an institution, we've made a lot of progress."



Duke University Medical Center, with core research centers in genetics, neuroscience and immunology, is making major scientific advances that could have profound health-related benefits.

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The Cloisters A MAGICAL MYSTERY TOUR



“So . . . how was your weekend?”

I thought about answering the perfunctory Monday morning question with my standard response, “Fine, and yours?” but I couldn’t. The reply that popped into my head and out of my mouth was “Magical, and yours?” That caught my colleague’s attention. How could she not ask? “Magical? What did you do?” “On Sunday, I spent about 500 years in medieval Europe with 20 new friends.” I knew I had her hooked.

There was no way she couldn’t ask. She could sense just how eager I was to tell her about it. I started, “I just returned from leading the Washington College Alumni Association’s Odyssey 2001 tour of The Cloisters in New York City.”

BY MARK HOESLY



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Robert Campin's "The Annunciation Triptych" portrays Biblical figures in fifteenth-century Netherlands, as the artist's patrons (at left) witness the blessed event.

which we were about to leave without doing anything more than crossing a threshold. We strolled up the twisting, sloping, cobbled pathway through the Froville Arcade of late Gothic design and into the Romanesque Hall.

When standing in the center of this room, the visitor begins to experience the wonder of The Cloisters' design. We look back to notice the Entrance Arch through which we just entered with the unadorned yet monumental proportions and the rounded weighty grandeur of the Romanesque style, dating from around 1150. Ahead on our right is an example of the transition in style between Romanesque and Gothic architecture, common in the late twelfth century, represented by the Reugny Door with its pointed arch and more elaborate detail evident on the columns and capitals. Directly in front of us are the extraordinary details of the ornate Gothic arch from the monastery church of Moutiers-Saint-Jean in Burgundy from the mid-thirteenth century. On each side of the arch is a large statue said to be Clovis and his son Clothar, the first Christian kings of France. On the tympanum, just above the doorway, is a relief carving of Christ crowning the virgin surrounded by six angels in flight. Through the side doorways we look out into bright sunlight and exquisite detailing of the Cuxa and the Saint-Guilhem cloisters.

Stepping outside into the largest cloister and the centerpiece of The Cloisters, we can almost hear the 800-year-old echoes of Benedictine monks singing medieval chants in the monastery of Saint-Michel-de-Cuxa. We are, once again, stunned by the details. Surrounding each doorway, window and arcade are intricate pink, gray and white marble carvings—each in its own design, ranging from apes restraining lions on one capital to another with scrolling leaves and pine cones, from a series of mythical creatures on one arch to a hound chasing a rabbit on the detail surrounding one of the windows. The central fountain, once possibly a baptismal font from the monastery at Saint-Genis-des-Fontaines, is surrounded by

IHAD NEVER claimed to be any sort of expert on the art and architecture of the Middle Ages. In my 22 years of living and working in and around New York, I have visited all of the major museums, yet whenever I get the opportunity I choose to go back again to explore the mysteries of the Middle Ages. I first found The Cloisters while I was in divinity school. I was initially intrigued by the ecclesiastical nature of the architecture and art but soon became entranced with the mystery of this place. Whenever I have the opportunity to spend a day at The Cloisters, I feel like I have been transported to a different time and place, like I have taken a vacation, the edifying effects of which far outlast the amount of time I spend at the museum. Instead of providing the perspective of an art historian, I decided I would attempt to share my passion for this special place by introducing our guests to several of my favorite works and allowing them to experience the magic and the mystery for themselves.

A former director of the Louvre in Paris has called The Cloisters "the crowning achievement of American

museology." This branch of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, located on the northern tip of the island of Manhattan, opened in 1938, a gift to the City of New York from John D. Rockefeller Jr. When he gave the land that would become Fort Tryon Park, it was on the condition that the four acres at the peak of the hill overlooking the Hudson River be reserved for a new museum of medieval art. The museum was specifically designed to incorporate thousands of original architectural elements, including four complete cloisters and several chapels, reconstructed from French and Spanish monasteries of the late Middle Ages. The cloisters, open courtyards surrounded by covered and arcaded passageways, serve as the focal points of the museum around which the remainder of the collection is displayed.

Sporting our black Odyssey 2001 baseball caps and WC name tags, our group of alumni, parents and friends assembled along the eastern edge of the museum below the magnificent tower, the turrets and arched gables with the red tile roof. It was a perfect day to be transported—a cloudless sky, a warm autumn sun shining through the tall oak and maple trees that help to hide the soaring skyline of the city

gardens planted with historically accurate species of flowers and herbs.

Crossing through the Pontaut Chapter House with its Gothic arched ceilings and simple wooden benches, we venture down a dark, dank hallway toward a thick oaken door hung on massive wrought iron hinges. We step out into the sunlight; as our eyes adjust to the brightness, the autumnal palate of yellows, oranges, reds and greens comes into focus as we peer over the ramparts of the West Terrace across the Hudson River to the New Jersey Palisades. If it were not for the faint traffic sounds of the Henry Hudson Parkway hidden in the woods below, I would believe that I actually had been transported back in time several hundred years.

After our brief respite, we descend through the Gothic Chapel with its collection of fourteenth-century stained glass and multiple sarcophagi bearing the effigies of long-forgotten European nobility. We again step outside into the Bonnefont Cloister with its four large quince trees heavy with ripe fruit. As we mingle, we notice the espaliered pear tree trained into the shape of a menorah flat against one wall and the varieties of medieval herbs that were used in cooking, healing, housekeeping, art, industry and magic. Directly adjacent is the Trie Cloister, in which each column of the arcade is shaped from a different color marble and each capital represents a different Biblical scene or saintly legend. We wander through The Treasury, overwhelmed by the astonishing workmanship in the enamel of the Monkey Cup, of the gold reliquaries which once contained remains of saints, of the unbelievably minute detail in a boxwood rosary bead and the walrus ivory of the altar cross from the Abbey of Bury Saint Edmunds.

The two elements of the collection I have always found most astounding still await us. Hidden behind a tiny door is the Campin Room, furnished in the style of a typical middle-class family of the fifteenth century. The room is named for Robert Campin, the Netherlandish artist of the Altarpiece of the Annunciation, painted about 1425, which is its centerpiece. The triptych presents the Virgin Mary in prayer in the moment just prior to the Archangel Gabriel's announcement that she is about to bear the Son of God. Every aspect of the painting is laden with meaning. The Madonna lily and brass laver signify Mary's purity. We see the tiny representation of the body of Christ—carrying the crucifixion cross, he descends upon Mary, borne on rays of sunlight from the window on the left. On the

right panel of the altarpiece, Joseph, who is rarely present in works of art representing the Annunciation, is building a mousetrap in his workshop. This is intended to represent the notion that just as the trap ensnares a mouse, so too will God

ensnare the powers of evil in the incarnation. Common in works of art of the period, the man who commissioned the painting and his wife are present as witnesses of the event on the left panel. Reverentially we take note of the detail and color of this painting and wonder how vibrant it must have appeared nearly six centuries ago.

Our last stop is the world-renowned Unicorn Tapestries Room. In this place, the enormous fireplace, which is large enough to walk into, is dwarfed in size and importance by the series of tremendous tapestries displaying a seven-panel saga about the hunt for, and capture of, the mythical unicorn. Once again, we cannot help but be impressed by the painstaking work involved in weaving tapestries with this level of detail. As the legend goes, the mythical unicorn, a symbol for Christ, has magical powers that include the ability to purify waters tainted by evil and the capacity to elude capture. These powers can be vanquished only when the unicorn allows itself to be controlled by a maiden. The first four tapestry panels show a progression, from the hunting party setting out, to the elusive uni-

corn dipping its single horn into a stream to purify the water and then escaping from the hunters. The fifth panel, which has survived only in fragments, shows the unicorn in the thrall of a maiden while her accomplice signals the hunters. The unicorn is captured and slaughtered in the sixth panel. In the seventh and final Unicorn tapestry, we find the resurrected beast alive and well but held captive in a pen; Christ has allowed himself to be hunted, betrayed, captured and killed, only to rise again in submission to and service of humanity. The artistry and skill of the sixteenth-century weavers is as respected as the message itself.

After a brief visit to the gift shop, we exit through an arched gate leading down a cave-like stairway built of massive stones, dim light pouring in through slatted windows. As we approach the end of the long tunnel, we feel ourselves emerging back into the parking lot, and the twenty-first century. It had been another two-hour trip through 500 years of another world. ▶

Mark Hoesly, Assistant Dean at Washington College, never did hear about his colleague's weekend.



"The Unicorn in Captivity" is the final of seven sixteenth-century tapestries that symbolically represent the story of Christ's death and resurrection to serve mankind.

WATERWORKS

Taking the Plunge into Bay Policy

A RIGOROUS NEW FRESHMAN SEMINAR, focused on the intercoastal Chesapeake Bay Program to resuscitate one of the world's richest estuaries, challenges students to see their role in the future of its success.



AS A HIGH school student reading by the picture window of the Clearfield, PA, public library, Elizabeth Haag had looked up from her book to the West Branch of the Susquehanna River flowing toward central Pennsylvania, curious about where the river ended. Walter Parr knew where it ended—he had rocked on the currents of the Chesapeake Bay in his parents' boat ev-

ery summer since he was six months old. But the Bel Air, MD, native knew that sooner or later he had to find out more about the water that buoyed the boat. On the Back River, Derek Smith of Baltimore peered over the gunwale of his grandfather's boat, his interest in the brownish water piqued. Kiera Skinner came to love the Bay and the land around it while riding to Ocean City from western New York State with her parents. An avid duck hunter from

Newark, DE, James Agnor had learned to listen to nature. How could he learn to protect and foster it?

Such quests led these Washington College students and their 16 classmates to choose Professor Wayne Bell's freshman seminar, *The Chesapeake Bay Program*. If Bell has his way, their choice will change their lives.

It's an opportunity they won't find anywhere else, for this class is the only one of its kind, anywhere, created by an-

BY CAROL CASEY



other one-of-a-kind, Wayne Bell. In his life he has brought together the rigor of a Harvard-educated scientist, the savvy of an experienced communicator and the sanguine attitude of one experienced in crafting policies, some of which actually succeed. He travels the globe to speak about the uniqueness of the Bay and the intricacies of the Bay agreement. In July, he was named director of Washington College's Center for the Environment and Society. He considers this course integral to the work of the center, existing on the edge of campus, uniting student needs with the world outside the academy.

Bell set up a challenge for himself as

well as the students when he structured a freshman class around the study of the policies that protect and foster the Bay's recovery from overuse and pollution. The Chesapeake Bay Program is an agreement among Maryland, Virginia, the District of Columbia, Pennsylvania, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Chesapeake Bay Commission. The original agreement was forged in 1983. In June a new agreement, Chesapeake 2000, was approved. Bell's course traces the history of environmental concern for the Bay, the goals of the agreement and the progress that has been made—or hasn't.

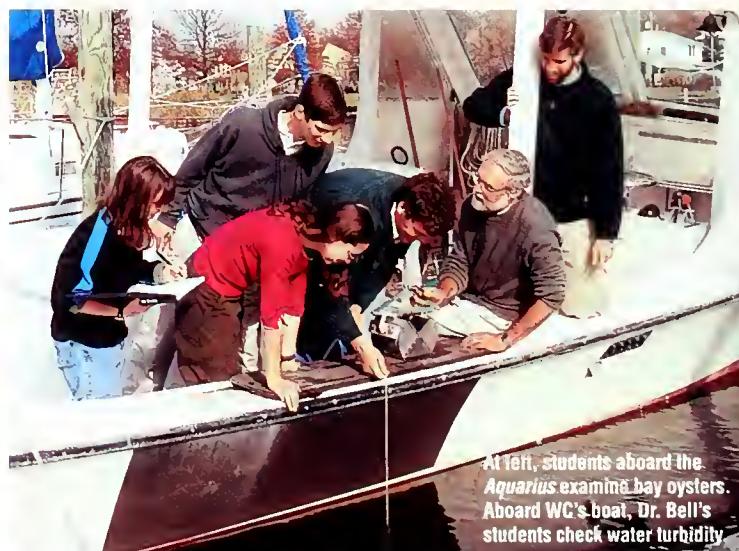
How to breathe life into what could

Students in Dr. Wayne H. Bell's class on the Chesapeake Bay Program spent an afternoon aboard the research vessel *Aquarius*. They performed water chemistry measurements near one of the Program's mid-Bay monitoring stations and examined native fish species taken with a fish trawl. They also took a grab from an active oyster bar to examine the variety of life this habitat supports.

be construed as dry policy? Bell has many ways. Early in the semester, he and the class boarded the research vessel *Aquarius* at Horn Point in Cambridge. Miles out in the Bay, they plunged devices into the deep waters, measuring its oxygen content at different levels and varying degrees of salinity. A great experience,

the students and Bell agree. But the experience didn't end there. In a later class, Bell projects a graph showing oxygen level measurements. Against this official chart, downloaded from the Chesapeake Bay Program's website, he superimposes the readings the class took. The agreement is excellent. "Looks like you have confirmed the EPA's findings for September," he tells them.

Through Bell's knowledge and his hands-on approach, the students are becoming people involved in policy, part of a community that Bell knows very well. Far from an imaginary community, they are a society of Bay stewards who see and talk to one another often.



At left, students aboard the *Aquarius* examining bay oysters. Aboard WC's boat, Dr. Bell's students check water turbidity.

At least once and sometimes twice a week, a flesh and blood representative of an aspect of the Chesapeake Bay Program appears in class. In all, 16 such Bay movers and shakers have addressed the students. First up was Joseph Mihursky, a biology professor from the University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science, whose address, "The Bay is Dying," set the stage for future speakers to talk about its resuscitation. Former Maryland Governor Harry Hughes appeared to discuss the political challenges of forging the original 1983 agreement and keeping it alive. Scientists such as Kennedy Paynter, whose specialty is oysters and their restoration, talked about working to restore the Bay to its historic role as the most productive shellfish bay in North America. Of Paynter's talk, Andrew Stein, Bell's assistant and a Washington College graduate, says, "At one time the Bay was so rich in oysters that they grew on anything projecting from the Bay floor—even discarded shoes." Speakers included Ann Swanson, lawyer for the Chesapeake Bay Commission, who was vital in crafting Chesapeake 2000; Frances Flanigan from the citizen's group Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay; and DNR's Sean McGuire talking about tributary strategy. "I'm proud of Washington College," Bell says. "No one I've asked to come speak has refused." He goes on: "Chesapeake Bay policy truly crosses all disciplines. We have heard from historians, politicians, teachers and writers, as well as scientists."

But ask any Bay lover, scientific or otherwise, why they're so involved in Bay work and watch what happens. They'll sigh. They'll look toward the water. If they're not near the water, they'll look into the distance, like the faithful seeking Mecca. Eventually they'll tell a story that gets at the intangible sense of life along the Bay.

Teachers and writers brought Bell, his students and Stein to the rolling landscape of Echo Hill Outdoor School on a sunny November morning for a day-long retreat. Perched on a bluff overlooking the Bay, with a blue sky above and periodic sonic booms from Aberdeen Proving Ground shaking the earth, Echo Hill is a perfect setting for contemplating education, communication and sense of place.

In the morning, students learned that 21st-century environmental educators bring more to their trade than walks in the woods, although, as Keith Williams of the Chesapeake Bay Foundation knows, a trip on the Bay in a canoe is a transforming experience for anyone. Elizabeth McCown of Echo Hill said that the sense of accomplishment young students gain from their outdoor experiences empowers them to remain active in the out-of-doors their whole lives. Gia Ristvey, of Pickering Creek Environmental Center and the Maryland-DC Audubon Society, talked about engaging her students in problem solving, creative play and art. Bell, a firm believer in the primacy of environmental education in the curriculum, says that structuring math, science and humanities lessons around the environment enhances learning. "Maybe it's because the environment is real and something kids can identify," he says.

Of course, people who champion the environmental integrity of the Bay must be able to clearly communicate scientific data and complex ecological theories to their constituents. But ask any Bay lover, scientific or otherwise, why they're so involved in Bay work and watch what happens. They'll sigh. They'll look toward the water. If they're not near the water, they'll look into the distance, like the faithful seeking Mecca. Eventually they'll tell a story that gets at the intangible sense of life along the Bay. Vincent Leggett came to the Echo Hill retreat to talk about his work documenting and communicating the unheralded role of African Americans in the Bay culture. To convey a point about the life of black watermen, he read a poem. Then he told a story about George Crowder of Edgewater. It was the 1930s. Crowder's uncles and the rest of the black watermen of the area went out to tong oysters. A dark, low-hanging, fast-moving "Egyptian cloud,

like the ones described in the Bible that appeared as Moses exhorted the Pharaoh to let his people go" came up over the horizon, the way storms do on the Chesapeake Bay. Crowder's uncles' boat capsized and they were drowned. The next day, Leggett said, the men were back out tonging again. "They were watermen. They had to suck it up and go out on the Bay to make the money for the funeral."

Jack Greer, poet and director of communications at the Maryland Sea Grant College, spoke to the class about media. He showed them slides and charts. But he ended his talk with a story about watermen. "When the pfiesteria scare was at its height, a waterman came to me and asked, 'Can I touch the water?' That made me so sad—a waterman asking me if he can touch the water. If he can't, who can?"

Stories are what drove author Tom Horton to expand his writing from straight news to book-length essays about the Bay and its people. "I'd go to cover these meetings as a reporter. People would present a lot of scientific facts. But always the real story of their fervor was beyond the facts." An accomplished raconteur, Horton began his presentation with a story and ended with one. "Whenever I talk about the Bay, I try to distinguish between pessimism and hope. I looked up the etymology of hope and found that it's related to the word hop. A friend of mine has a little dog. His name is Hop. Whenever my friend takes his dog out into the long grass of the field, the dog hops up to look over the tall grass to make sure my friend is in sight. I'm pessimistic—we have a long way to go in restoring the Bay. I'm hopeful—I can see ways we can actually do this."

When he developed this course, Bell wanted to "take complex subject matter and present it so that freshmen could begin to understand early in their college careers that there is a place for them in the restoration of the Bay." If he has succeeded, his students will be a new generation of bay stewards, no matter what their occupation. In that, Bell and his colleagues find hope for the Bay's future. ▶

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Going Places With Odyssey 2001

By P Trams Hollingsworth '75

THIS YEAR'S cross-country alumni junket, WC Odyssey 2001: Faculty-Guided Tours of Museums and Other Cool Places, got off to a great start in September with a reunion at the Orangutan Think Tank in Washington, DC. More than 50 alumni, families and friends gathered to hear psychology professor Mike Kerchner's lecture "Monkey Minds," a short history of language experiments with primates and the insights these have lent into human neuropsychology. We also learned that not all interspecies communications depend on a grasp of grammar or even the symbols that represent nouns and verbs in orangutan vocabulary. One long-haired ape just tapped the glass and pointed emphatically as Misty Elliott Corbin '75 obediently presented her hairbrush, checkbook, lipstick ... and explained, "We'd both like to know what's in my pocketbook."

History professor Richard Striner's tour met on the steps of the Maryland State Capital for an introduction to "The Grand Dames of Historic Preservation." Dr. Striner's overview of the preservation movement and its visionary leaders included profiles of Ann Pamela Cunningham, who in 1853 founded the Mount Vernon

Ladies Association of the Union to save George Washington's home from destruction, and St. Clair Wright, the daughter of a Naval Academy superintendent who founded the Historic Annapolis Foundation in 1952 and led the organization for three decades. After Dr. Striner's introduction, our Odyssey group, which included Dr. and Mrs. Toll, took off on a guided tour of the Paca House, the Hammond-Harwood House, the Chase-Lloyd House and other colonial legacies of grand dame Wright.

On sabbatical in France, English professor Bob Day, finding his museum closed without notice, took his alumni tourists Dani Kennedy Lippoldt '82 and Jeff Frank '98 to a nearby bistro, bought them lunch with wine and talked of Balzac and his "Lost Illusions." Trans-Atlantic e-mail report: "A good time was found by all."

Back on this side of "the pond," Odyssey traveled to the Cloisters, a branch of New York City's Metropolitan Museum of Art devoted to the architecture and art of medieval Europe. We spent much of that sunny Sunday afternoon in the walled gardens above the Hudson River until our tour-guide, assistant dean Mark Hoesly,



Psychology professor Mike Kerchner (far right) kicked off this year's alumni tour at the Orangutan Think Tank in Washington, DC.

took us inside "The Middle Ages in Manhattan." (see page 20) Dean Hoesly, who earned his master's of divinity from Princeton University, asked his audience to try to date an ornate archway in one of the ancient halls, and I heard Cindy Stafford Heller '70 M '80 whisper to Nancy Moffitt Skelos Duka '71, "Sometime around the time of Covey math?"

The following Odyssey revealed another beautiful garden around which Isabella Stuart Gardner built her home in Boston. As we wound our way through this small museum filled with the work of many masters, art professor Donald McColl led a group discussion of the religious, political and social cultures that influenced the life and work of Rembrandt. Then Dr. McColl guided us into the special exhibit collected at the Gardner from museums about the world,

"Rembrandt Creates Rembrandt." Here were nine etchings and eleven paintings by Rembrandt, including "Artist in His Studio" and "Jeremiah Lamenting the Destruction of Jerusalem." In this small room our talkative tour of twenty-something became suddenly still and absolutely silent.

Alumni Odyssey 2001 continues through May with faculty-guided tours of the National Building Museum and the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, DC; The National Aquarium in Baltimore; The Clearwater Aquarium in Florida; the J. Paul Getty Museum in Los Angeles, the Frank Lloyd Wright Museum near Scottsdale, AZ; Longwood Gardens near Philadelphia and Wilmington; and Hope House Estate in Talbot County, MD. For more information or to make your reservation for Odyssey 2001, call the Alumni Office. ▶

Alumni Nominated For Board Election

N ACCORDANCE with the charter of Washington College, 12 of 37 College trustees are elected by alumni. Nominations are submitted by alumni-at-large to the Alumni Council's Nominating Committee and are presented to the general Council, which votes to determine the annual slate of candidates. The Alumni Council's four candidates for election in 2001 are Roy Ans '63, David Burton M'84, Susan Thomas Denton '69 and John Flato '69.

Roy Ans '63 is a retired physician. He was the founding member of a multi-physician clinical practice and chief of the department of obstetrics and gynecology at Memorial Regional Hospital in Hollywood, FL. Ans is former chairman of the Washington College Fund, a current member of the Visiting Committee and an Alumni Admission Recruiter. He and his wife, Nan, are members of The 1782 Society.

David Burton M'84 is president of I.G. Burton & Company, Milford, DE, an automobile dealership for General Motors, Chrysler, International, Mercedes Benz and BMW cars and trucks. Elected to the Board in 1995, David serves as chair of the Buildings and Grounds Committee. David and his wife, Ann, are members of The 1782 Society and the Fifty Guinea Club.

Susan Thomas Denton '69, through her firm Denton and Associates, is a fund-raising consultant to educational institutions, professional societies, foundations and corporations nationwide. Her company is based in Queenstown, MD. A former member of the Visiting Committee, Susan was elected to the Board in 1995 and serves as chair of the Admissions and Student Financial Aid Committee. Sue and her husband, Larry, are members of The 1782 Society and the George Washington Society.

John Flato '69 is the national director of university relations at Cap Gemini Ernst & Young (CGEY), the third-largest management consulting firm in the world. His firm is based in New York City. John is a former member of the Alumni Council and a current mem-



Carl Ortman '67, Kurt Keller '86, George "AI" Reddish '65 and Ricky Sowell '86 (pictured from left) were inducted into the College's Athletic Hall of Fame in October. Lloyd Larmore '16 was inducted posthumously. As part of the festivities, the College also honored the 1985-86 basketball team and the 1985 lacrosse team.

ber of the Visiting Committee. He and his wife, Carol, are members of The 1782 Society.

Additional nominations may be made through December 31, 2000, by petition of 50 members of the Alumni Association. Petitions can be forwarded to the Nominating Committee in care of the Alumni Office. An official election ballot will be mailed to all alumni in early 2001. Two candidates will be elected to serve six-year terms on the Board

of Visitors and Governors beginning in July 2001. ▶

WC Aims For 3,000 Alumni Donors

LAST YEAR, with 2,677 alumni contributing to the Washington College Fund, the College set a school record in alumni participation. This year, the College hopes to up the ante to 3,000 alumni donors, and raise alumni participation from 35 percent to 38 percent.

The Washington College Fund is a campaign to raise annual contributions from alumni, parents, friends, faculty, staff and students to help defray College costs that are not covered by annual tuition revenue. Budget items supported by the WC Fund include many merit- and need-based financial assistance programs, including the Washington Scholars



For more than ten years, the Kent and Queen Anne's Alumni Chapter has turned junk into joy by using the proceeds from their community flea market to fund a bookstore scholarship for a local undergraduate. Pictured here with some of the old stuff they turn into new text books are (from left) Bronwyn Taylor Fry '75, Dave Slama '71, Bob Cleaver '58, Anne Friedman Singer '85, Paula Wordt '68 and Hurtig Oeringer '59.



Program for National Honor Society members. Participation is important, College leaders say, because the percentage of alumni who support their *alma mater* is a national standard used to judge a college's vitality and for ranking institutions in "The College Issue" of *U.S. News and World Report*.

"So," says Ed Athey '47,

retired athletic director, coach and volunteer chairman of the WC Fund, "during this fiscal year (July '00 - June '01) we expect to reach 3,000 donors, representing 38 percent participation from our 7,821-member Alumni Association. We want the alumni team to become champions."

The Washington College

Sally Haynsworth Grafton '93 (center), assistant director for alumni annual giving, is assisted by members of the WC Fund Phonathon team.

Fund campaign is being administered by a new assistant director for alumni annual giving, Sally Haynsworth Grafton '93. Grafton succeeds Mike Stafford '99, last year's record-breaker who stepped down to study law at Duke University. Sally and her husband, Jeff '94, a financial analyst with MBNA America and volunteer alumni adviser to the Kappa Alpha fraternity, have settled in Chestertown a few doors from the Alumni House.

One of Sally's many responsibilities in the Alumni Office is to direct the enthusiastic group of students who

comprise the Washington College Fund Phonathon team. "Phonathon conversations between students and alumni are the best way we know to get alumni to support the annual fund," explains Grafton. "Many alumni appreciate being introduced over the phone to the undergraduates who benefit from their support."

Those who do not want to be called are advised to make their gift early in the fiscal year or to contact the alumni office to request removal from the phonathon list.

This year the College is offering an 18-month wall calendar, *Travel Through Time*, for all gifts received before January 2001. The calendar is illustrated with historic photos and events excerpted from the recently published book, *Washington: The College at Chester*. ▀

just give it.



Send your check today to the Washington College Fund, 300 Washington Avenue, Chestertown, Maryland 21620.

1931

REV. PERCY N. REESE

is the oldest priest holding service and the longest in service to the Diocese of Easton. He serves at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Crisfield, MD.

1936

Please plan for your 65th Reunion May 18-20!

ELIZABETH R. THIBODEAU

has lived in Chestertown since 1990, in the same apartment house as Miriam Ford Hoffecker '36. Betty serves as the '30s decade representative on the Alumni Council.

1939

DR. GEORGE M. EISENTROUT

completed the year as president of the Washington State Retired Teachers Association (he retired from school administration in 1979), where he will continue to serve on the Board.

1940

JOHN COPPLE

and his wife, Betty, enjoyed their 60th wedding anniversary. "Pictures reveal I have not gotten prettier, but I'm proud to be here!"

1941

Please plan for your 60th Reunion May 18-20!

OGLE HESS

and wife Mildred Brooks '42 have been married for 59 years. They have three daughters, four grandchildren and two great-granddaughters. After 21 years with DuPont, Ogle is enjoying retirement. He looks forward to his 60th Reunion in May.

ANNE TURNER LATOR

and Helen Westcott Baker '41 are living in Charlestown, a retirement community in Catonsville, MD. They enjoy being as busy or as idle as they wish.

1942

DR. MORTIMER GARRISON

and his wife, Dr. Jean Wood Garrison '43, celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary by going to London then visiting their son in Berlin, where he and his wife are stationed with the U.S. Embassy. "Splendid tour of the new Reichstag; Dr. Davis would have loved it!"

1943

DR. TEO KURZE

sailed over 1,500 nautical miles along the coast of Mexico and the Sea of Cortez on his boat, the *Joey K II*.

1945

MARY LU LUMPKIN FREEMAN

still lives in sight of the mountains—east, north and west. Local orchards provide marvelous fresh fruit from spring to fall. They really appreciate what they produce in West Virginia.

CHARLOTTE HIGNUTT

traveled to Iceland and the Faroe Islands this past summer. She will spend a month in the Mediterranean next spring and continues to winter in Mexico.

1946

Please plan for your 55th Reunion May 18-20!

CELESTE PIGG HERBERT

discovered Elderhostel, especially overseas. With scattered relatives in the U.S. and Canada, she's still getting around and enjoying her leisure. Would love to hear from everyone!

BETTY BLACKWAY RUFF

enjoyed three weeks in the British Isles this summer. During the month of August, she had dinner with Peggy Smith '46 and Dick Steffens '43, and Peggy Benton '46 and Kirby Smith '48 in Ocean City, MD.



Linda G. Deis '70 (left) and Susanna Kanther '00, pictured here in front of the Trevi Fountain in Rome, discovered that they had more than singing in common when they met in Italy this summer. The two WC grads—both music majors with a fondness for Professor Garry Clarke—were touring with the Choral Arts Society of Philadelphia. The group sang the final concert at the famous Spoleto Festival and then performed in Florence and Venice. Upon their return home, the chorus was invited to sing at the GOP convention.

SARA WHALEY TOWERS

and her husband, Robert, enjoyed a trip to Ireland with her sister, Constance Whaley Fassett '55, and her husband, Don.

1950

VINCENT BACCHETTA

thoroughly enjoyed his 50th Reunion last May, renewing acquaintances with many he hadn't seen in almost the full 50 years. Mackey Metcalfe Dutton '51, Price Ransone '50 and Lou Blizzard '50 did a great job. Vince hopes to get back for the golf every coming year—he gave up on baseball after failing to get on base the last five years. "I showed up—eyes, legs and body said, 'who are you kidding?'" The "Jolter" has hung it up!

1951

Please plan for your 50th Reunion May 18-20!

RUTH TEAFF BARROWS

moved back to Dover, DE, after

her husband, Rev. Virgil A. Barrows, passed away on October 29, 1999. The couple had lived in Hartsdale in a log home built by the late Reverend.

ROBERT FOX

is looking forward to his 50th Reunion in May!

1953

WILLIAM R. MURRAY

works as a technical assistant in the customer design department of the Potomac Electric Power Company in Calverton, MD.

1954

JOHN NEWBOLD

is actively retired as the owner of a surf fishing charter. For more information, e-mail him at fishnfools@beachlink.com.

1955

JOHN PARKER

completed his second year broadcasting "For the Love of Food"—certainly one of the all-



Jeff Merriam '76 and daughter Sarah attended the first *Odyssey 2001* tour stop, "Monkey Minds" at the National Zoo's Orangutan Think Tank. The Alumni Office and psychology professor Mike Kerchner hosted the event in Washington, DC.

crab feast graciously hosted by WC/KA alum Jack Shannahan '65 and his lovely wife, Faye.

1966

Please plan for your 35th Reunion May 18-20!

DAVID KING

retired last December after 29 years of teaching in the Calvert County (MD) public school system. After six months of boredom, he began a new teaching career in Fairfax County Public Schools. David lives with his wife, Wendy, in Fairfax, VA.

ERIC PURDON

is looking forward to his 35th Reunion. Hopefully there will be a good turnout.

1967

MIRIAM HUEBSCHMAN SHECK teaches statistics, Algebra II, business math and piano at Parkside High School.

DR. MARK SCHULMAN

served as chair of the 2000 Conference of the American Association for Public Opinion Research in Portland, OR. This year's conference, "Facing the Challenges of the New Millennium," focused on technology's impact on society and politics.

1968

CHARLES SKIPPER

retired from the Anne Arundel County (MD) school system after 30 years as a teacher and administrator. He and his wife, Susan, are living on a farm in Delaware near Denton, MD.

1969

BRIAN KIMERER

and wife Lauren Moon '72 report that their daughter, Danielle, began her freshman year at Roger Williams University and their son, William, began his freshman year at Readings Memorial High School.

WILLIAM C. SCHMOLDT

retired from AT&T and is teaching computer science at the Ranney School in Tinton Falls, NJ.

LINDA SHEEDY

represented WC at the inauguration of J. Michael Adams as

time great radio shows in the history of the medium—over WCTR. Friends can visit John's web site, www.helpfulbooks.com, to order any of his three books.

1956

Please plan for your 45th Reunion May 18-20!

MARIE RUTKOWSKI MULLEN is looking forward to her 45th Reunion next May.

JAY TEBO runs a bed and breakfast in New

Mexico. Visit his site at www.smithmansion.com.

1959

MARILOUISE KUETHE BANE and her husband, James, became grandparents on December 22, 1999, to grandson Brevan Colton Bane. Both parents and grandparents are thrilled.

JAMES H. SCOTT III moved into a pre-retirement townhouse on a golf course in Greensboro, NC, and is still doing some recruiting in financial

planning. He enjoyed his past two reunions and will be back next May. "Come see us!"

1960

SENATOR WALTER BAKER was the honoree at the Big Elk Creek Bridge dedication conducted by the Maryland Department of Transportation's State Highway Administration.

1961

Please plan for your 40th Reunion May 18-20!

JOHN BUCHANAN

loves living in southern Maryland. "Come and visit LaPlata!"

1963

KENNETH E. SHECK and his wife, Maggie Newsome M'84, enjoyed the company of fellow classmates and KA brothers at the annual reunion and

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the sixth president of Fairleigh Dickinson University on September 17.

1970

FRANK VERI

writes: "I had a great experience watching the WC vs. F&M basketball game this past winter (longest two seconds I've ever witnessed) and a great WC vs. Gettysburg lax game last spring. The campus was beautiful!"

1971

Please plan for your 30th Reunion May 18-20!

WILLIAM ABBOTT

and wife Sally Noble '73 thoroughly enjoyed the gathering of New York alumni at the Botanical Garden in May. Since it happened to be their son's 21st birthday, it was uplifting to know that there is life after children.

1973

ANDY GODDARD'S

bar and restaurant, Andy's, was featured in the *Washington Post* travel section (July 30) as offering Chestertown "an alternative: food served till midnight, a very social bar and some of the most original live music this side of the Bay."

JOHN POWERS

was appointed vice president for development at the University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science in Cambridge, MD. He lives in Rock Hall and loves every minute of it.

1974

CHRIS LUHN

was appointed Assistant Attor-

ney General for the State of New York and works in the Oil Spill Unit of the Civil Recoveries Bureau. He lives in Saratoga Springs.

CHRISTINE DIRSCHAUER MATTEO made it into the Millennium Edition of *Marquis Who's Who of American Women*—"nice surprise!"

1975

BARBIE PARRIS LAWRENCE has been appointed the '70s decade representative on the Alumni Council.

SALLY GRAY ROGERS

is enjoying being reconnected with WC friends via the Internet. Her daughter, Katy, is a junior at Frostburg State University, and son Andy is a freshman at Lafayette College. Life is good in Annapolis, MD.

1976

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KRIS KENNEDY

is traveling to Toronto, Ontario, over Thanksgiving to celebrate Marty Kabat '63's 60th birthday. E-mail a birthday greeting to Kris and she'll forward it to Marty. K072288@pol.net.

TOM KIEFABER

helped to organize the annual Open Air Italian Film Festival in Baltimore's Little Italy, which ran for 18 weeks this summer. The series allowed Baltimoreans to pull up their lawn chairs every Friday evening to watch Italian-themed movies.

DAVID KNEPLER

works in the circulation/sales department of his local paper, the *Marin Independent Journal*. Both David and Jim Thomas '76 are mad at Nancy Walsh '73 for coming to San Francisco and not calling them.

JEFF MERRIAM

remains happily and gratefully married to the former Mary MacNair '76, who recently has shown signs of actually understanding him. Together they are encouraging 17-year-old Sarah to continue the family Shōmen tradition as she chooses a college. Jeff is the director of "Capture Management" at Citizens Democracy Corps, a non-profit organization giving direct technical assistance and training to small and micro businesses in the former Soviet Union, Asia and Latin America. He spends his free time writing unfinished novels, counting bald eagles and holding long philosophical conversations with three pussycats and two golden retrievers.

1977

BILL JOHNSON

teaches biology at Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff (NAU) and is the coordinator for the master's of public health program at the University of Arizona. He received his Ph.D. in biology from NAU in 1997, specializing in endocrinology. His wife, Julie, is an associate professor and teaches health promotion at NAU. They have three kids—Nick the dinosaur expert, 5, Nate the terminator, 3, and Isabella, 2, already the queen.

CHARLES MAIN

works as a senior project manager for Frederick Ward Associates, Inc. in their Columbia, MD, office.

Doug Lippoldt '79, wife Dani Kennedy '82, and daughters Rachel and Erika enjoy a holiday in Aluvettula, Finland. The Lippoldts have been living in France since 1992, when Doug signed on as a labor economist with the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD).



Bradford S. Cook '79 was awarded Tennessee Technological University's outstanding faculty award for teaching. As an assistant professor of biology, he coordinates lab sections, advises graduate students, provides undergraduates with special topics classes including field research, teaches a variety of upper-division classes, keeps the department up-to-date on instructional technology and still takes time to teach freshmen in university 101 classes.

1978

JOANN DRISCOLL JACKSON

works as a school counselor for Baltimore County Schools, specifically at Sollers Point-Southeastern Technical High School.

ANN TAYLOR LAVERTY

is the director of human resources at PBC, Inc. and lives in Little Silver, NJ, with her husband and three children—Laura, 11, Matthew, 13, and Timmy, 18.

1979

SEAN COUGHLIN

lives in Ocean City, MD, where he is an affiliate member of the Coastal Association of Realtors. Feel free to call him at Sun Coast Mortgage at (410) 723-9902.

MARY ANNE ESPENSHADE

missed her 20th Reunion due to back problems, which prompted her to have surgery. Fully recovered, she enjoyed an Alaskan cruise in September.

1980

JIM BRADLEY

and his partners won the An-



nual Alumni and Friends Golf Tournament during Athletic Hall of Fame weekend.

LINDA McCUALEY HAMILL

and husband Bill '80 have put down roots in Falls Church, VA, with their three children. Bill is training to be the Defense attaché to Albania in August '01. "Had a ball seeing old AOPi's at Ginny White '82's wedding!"

LAIN HAWKRIDGE

teaches in the Baltimore City Public School System and his wife, Arlene Lee '82, is the director of the Kent County Local Management Board.

CAROL SMILLIE

and husband Walter design and create garden trellises and ornaments for their company, Sycamore Creek. Visit them at www.sycamorecreek.com.

1981

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DIANA FARRELL

received her master's degree in criminal justice administration. She gave up her life of crime (16 years as a parole officer) and moved to Florida, where she plans to kick back a while. "Come visit!"

MERRILL JOHNSON

has lived in historic Brookeville, MD, for the past 10 years with his wife and two daughters, ages 2 and 10. He enjoys his work owning and running a small home inspection company with business in the Montgomery County and DC area. He



From left, 1995 classmates Lainie Goldsmith, Laura Heidel, April DeMar and Beverly Diaz Poulsen spent a night on the town before Beverly's wedding in California.

hopes to see the Lambda boys and the Reid Hall Red Hots at their 20th.

SANDRA EVANS MEYERS

was a bridesmaid at Virginia White '83's June wedding. Sandra had a great time seeing old friends. Her daughter, Kelly, served as junior bridesmaid.

JOHN NEVERS

is the president of Nassau Helicopters in Princeton, NJ. Nassau offers flight training, sightseeing and demonstration rides, aerial photography and surveys, and charters to New York City, Philadelphia and Atlantic City. For information, call (609) 924-7164 or visit www.skynett.com.

1982

PETER TURCHI

taught at the Breadloaf Writers Conference in Middlebury, VT, this summer. Two of his short stories, "The Night Sky" and "The Man Who Lived Above Us," have been nominated for the Pushcart Prize. "The Night



Sue Cupka Collins '86 (left), Elizabeth Jaeger Marchetti '85 and Ellen Hennessey Arthur '86 (not pictured) ran in the Columbia Penguin 5K Race on February 6th. Sue and Elizabeth, pictured here at Sandy Point State Park, also ran in the Chesapeake Bay Bridge 10K Race on May 7, when Ellen was temporarily sidelined with an injury.

television news. Cahners is one of the world leaders for business to business publishing.

LISA MENDELSON

managed efforts in the Washington Monument restoration this past year as a special assistant for partnerships for the National Park Service. She thanks those at WC, especially Lauren Ebaugh Halterman '87, for their help procuring images of the College sign for the Washington Monument Interpretive Center. "Regards to Cat and the DPO's."

1986

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BILL ALLEN

lives in Easton with his wife, Leanne. Bill works in Pupil Services for the Caroline County (MD) Board of Education.

ELLEN HENNESSEY ARTHUR

made partner at the law firm of Blum, Yumkas, Mailman, Gutman & Deruch in Baltimore, in charge of the estates and trust department. She lives in Lutherville, MD, with sons Michael, 6, and Matthew, 3.

BETSY CASEY GRIEVES

and husband Dick Grieves '83, Easton, MD, have three children—Elizabeth, 9, Lindsay, 7, and Casey, 4. Betsy is busy as a stay-at-home mom.

KATHLEEN O'DONNELL

received her master's degree in education from Loyola College as well as a diploma from the Washington Montessori Institute. Kathleen directs a primary class at the Manor Montessori School in Potomac, MD; she looks forward to reconnecting with alumni in the Washington, DC, area.

BARBARA ABRAM THOMAS

has enjoyed being a stay-at-home mom for the past nine years to son Trevor and daughter Hailey. They all keep busy with school and extracurricular activities and lots of traveling.

DUNCAN WELLS

owns a solo dental practice in Pocomoke, MD. He and his wife, Anne Marie, have two daughters.

BIRTHS AND ADOPTIONS

To Stephen J. Hartley '70 and Lori A. Weaver, a son, Ethan Judd Hartley, on July 14, 2000.

David Knepler '76 and his wife, Karen Koenig, adopted a daughter, Shoshana Jade, born in Hefei, China, on October 20, 1998. She arrived home on March 22, 2000. Shoshana joins older sister Sylvie, also born in China.

To Jenny Maddox '78 and husband, Thomas Washbourne, a daughter, Emily Maddox, on November 7, 1999. Emily joins big brother Tyler Pacey, 11.

To Lizzie Edgeworth Cantacuzene '82 and husband, Michael, a son, Nicholas, on July 4, 1999.

To Michele Lacher Groseclose '85, a daughter, Reghan Taylor, on August 6, 2000. Reghan joins big brother Zachary Stuart, 4.

To Richard Kircher '85 and wife, Kathy, a daughter, Katherine Brigid, on October 6, 1999.

To Katherine White Beck '86 and husband, Paul, a son, Daniel Sumner, on March 7,



Riley Kristine Overend was born to Cheryl Bull Overend '95 and her husband, Scott '93, on February 4, 2000.

2000. Daniel joins big sister Hallie, 3.

To Victor DeSantis '86 and wife, Melanie, a daughter, Katharine Emma, on May 4, 2000. Katharine joins big sisters Samantha, 5, and Rebecca, 6.



Anna Elizabeth Wildman was born to Graeme Wildman '92 and wife Sue on May 28, 2000.

To Scott Gasiorek '86 and wife, Ann, a daughter, Arin Summer, on July 17, 2000.

To Tammy Tiebel '86 and husband, Bill Stedman, a daughter, Sophie Claire, on May 17, 2000.

To Larry Brandt '87 and wife, Molly, a son, Jonathon Lawrence, on January 24, 2000. Jonathon joins big brothers Ryan, 5, and Justin, 3.

To Gina Braden '89 and John McDanolds '85, a son, Liam Braden McDanolds, on August 18, 2000.

To William Bors '89 and wife, Michelle, a daughter, Kathryn Victoria, on April 3, 1999.

To Ben Hinkle '89 and wife, Linda, a daughter, Alyssa Pauline, on March 21, 2000. Alyssa joins big brother Hayden, 2.

To Karen Reisinger Ketterman '90 and husband, HP, a daughter, Kristen Paige, on February 20, 2000. Kristen joins big sister Allie, 3.

To Kimberly Scheideman '90 and husband, Russell Loock '87, a daughter, Megan Elaine, on June 8, 2000.

To Tarlie Albert '90 and husband, Robert Usilton, a son, William Carl, on June 1, 2000. William joins brother Alex, 3.

To Deborah Cohn Hutchins '90 and husband, Kenneth Wayne '91, a daughter, Taylor Bethany, on May 30, 2000. Taylor joins big brother Jordan Wayne, 3.

To MaryJo Allison White '90 and husband, Don, a daughter, Vivien Christine, on April 14, 2000.

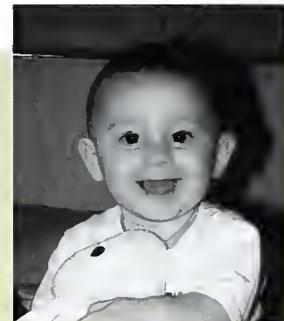
To Deanna Houle '91 and husband, Kevin Kelly '92, a daughter, Regan Grace, on July 22, 2000.

To Fred Johnston '91 and wife, Teresa Alborn '91, a daughter, Elena Saterig, on May 29, 2000. Elena is looking forward to meeting everyone at her parents' 10th reunion next May!

To Jennifer Crouch Swoboda '91 and husband, Patrick, a daughter, Julia Cameron, on January 27, 2000.

To Lara Buchanan Goldfaden '92 and husband, Michael, a daughter, Anna Grace, on September 3, 2000.

To Michelle Beattie '93 and husband, Sean Murphy '90, a son, Christopher James, on May 5, 2000. Christopher joins big sister Catherine, 2.



Madeline Hanna Peter was born to Kathleen McGuigan Peter '89 and husband David on March 5, 2000.

To Jen Del Nero '93 and husband, Matt Moore '91, a daughter, Meghan Elizabeth, on March 30, 2000. Meghan joins big brother Michael, 3.

To Seth Engel '93 and wife, Mia, a son, Max Bernard, on January 15, 2000. Mom was nice enough to have Max well before the Redskins playoff game. Max and Mom and Dad cheered for their 'Skins, albeit a losing cause . . .

To Chandev Abhayaratne '94 and wife, Prithiva, a son, Chetan, on September 2, 2000.

To Wendy Debnam Fitzgerald '94 and husband, Jim, a son, Wesley James, on April 26, 2000.

To Joshua Obercian '94 and wife, Christine Johnson, a son, Devon Stinger, on August 25, 2000.

To Stuart Wagner '94 and wife, Karin, a daughter, Kaia Vera, on October 31, 1999.

To Sharla Ponder Murray '95 and husband, Matt '95, a son, Joshua David, on June 15, 2000.

To Shawntel Fitzgerald-Lambert '96 and husband, Paul, a daughter, Kai Chantal, on May 26, 2000.



Erin Murphy '90 is teaching a creative writing class at WC this fall. She read some poems from her manuscript, *Science of Desire*, at the Literary House on October 11.

ters, Katherine, 4, and Maggie, 2. Duncan looks forward to his 15th Reunion in May.

1987

JACK GILDEN

owns Gilden Advertising in Baltimore. The new company headquarters is in an old church being renovated by Tommy Gaines '86's company Hencken & Gaines, Inc.

SARA WELCH PHELPS

received her MBA from the University of Maryland last May.

Master's 1988

REVEREND CARL H. BEASLEY, III is teaching English at West Nottingham Academy in Colora, MD.

1989

SANDRA PEREZ ENGLAND

and husband Ben have a son, Benjamin, 3½, and daughter, Emilia, 15 months. The family is happy to be back in Maryland after seven years in Miami.

KATHLEEN MCGUIGAN PETER'S daughter, Madeline, was baptized on July 30, 2000. Fellow alumna Kate Lynn '91, Jeff Cessna '89, Ken Winkler '89, Ruth Davidson '88 and Chip Schaller '89 were in attendance.

1990

DREW ELBURN

is an account manager for Auto-

imation Consultants, Inc., an information technology consulting and web design firm in downtown Baltimore.

JULIET GILDEN

was a featured artist at Justine's Gallery in South Port, SC, in September.

DEBBY COHN HUTCHINS

is a math teacher at Polytech High School, teaching algebra, geometry and pre-calculus. Husband Ken '91 is the principal of Milford (DE) Middle School. Friends may e-mail her at tkhelbling@yahoo.com.

1991

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JACQUELINE COLLINS

is on a three-to-five-year stint as the director of Entertainment Services in Belgium for SHAPE (Supreme Headquarters for the Allied Powers Europe), the Support Command for NATO. Jacqueline also runs the base theatre and cinema.

KRISTY SCHIMINGER COUNCIL

and husband Ron '91 enjoyed a six-month backpacking trip through the U.S. and Europe. Since they've settled in Baltimore, they'd like to reconnect with old friends. Please e-mail them at council@starpower.net.

KEVIN DECKER

received his Ph.D. from the State University of New York at Albany. He teaches history at the State University of New York at Plattsburgh.

SARAH HAMLIN

celebrated her second wedding anniversary. Sarah is a massage therapist in Canandaigua, NY.

She thinks there might be world peace if everyone on earth got a massage at least once a month!

KELLI FARRELL HELBLING

is a stay-at-home mom for Luke, 3, and Jonah, 1½. They have settled in Fredericksburg, VA, where her husband, Todd, coaches men's tennis at Mary Washington College. Friends may e-mail her at tkhelbling@yahoo.com.

GINGER PENICK INMAN

and her husband quit their jobs, sold their home and bought an RV. They are planning to travel across the country for the next three years and are happily enjoying their first retirement before children.

ELIZABETH WILSON MOSNER

and her husband moved from St. Michaels, MD, to Centreville, MD, where they are restoring an old home in which they hope to live for many years to come. Elizabeth works for a medical and scientific printing company in Easton, MD.

MICHELLE NUNN

is a human resource specialist with Allfirst Bank in downtown Baltimore.

EMILY BISHOP PHILLIPS

celebrated her first wedding anniversary with husband Scott. They live in Federalsburg, MD, where Emily is a fourth-grade teacher at Denton Elementary School. Emily hopes to see a lot of old friends and Alpha Chi sisters at her 10th Reunion in May.

HOUGHTON FREDERIC PHILLIPS

is a financial consultant with

Merrill Lynch in Baltimore.

JENNIFER CROUCH SWOBODA and her husband, Patrick, have started their own business, Cara Cove Productions, specializing in 360-degree digital imaging for the Internet. Check out their web site at www.caracove.com. They live in North East, MD, with their new daughter, Julia Cameron.

MEGAN METCALFE THORNTON

enjoys teaching special needs students at Moorcroft School on the outskirts of London, England.

1992

KASEY CARROLL BASSO

and husband Brian '92 are still living in Florida. Kasey made a return visit to the Hawaiian Ironman in October. She will finish her residency in psychiatry this year and is looking to practice in the Tampa Bay area. Brian is still teaching eighth grade science and is coaching high school soccer.

MATT CONATY M'97

is the editor of *Prime Life Magazine* in Delaware. Previously, Matt lived in Arizona, where he taught English at the University of Arizona and earned his MFA in creative writing.

STEFANIE LEE-YOU

and her husband, Joon, moved into their first home in Irvine, CA, which they love. Stefanie is the manager of recruitment at Optum Software, Inc. in Costa Mesa.

DR. ANASTASIA VENDELIS-KLIMA

enjoys seeing alumni at her dental practice in Cockeysville, MD.



On the WC Odyssey 2001 stop in Paris, Professor Bob Day and his wife, Kathy, met Jeff Frank '98 and Dani Kennedy Lippoldt '82 and family. The group retreated to the nearest bistro after being locked out of the Balzac Museum on a rainy Sunday afternoon. Still, Dani reported, "Bob Day faithfully recounted stories about Balzac, prolific writer and quite the ladies' man (Balzac, that is)."

1993

MARC BREWEN

joined the U.S. Navy's Judge Advocate General's Corps after graduating from South Texas College of Law in Houston. He is a Lieutenant Junior Grade, stationed in Yokosuka, Japan (about one hour south of Tokyo), and serves as a legal assistance attorney and a criminal defense attorney for the sailors of the Seventh Fleet. Please contact him at Naval Legal Service Office Pacific, PSC 473 Box 14, FPO AP 96349-2400 or brewenms@jag.navy.mil.

JAMES CRAWFORD

and his wife, Karen Fletcher, bought their first house and are living the life of happy suburbanites in Fairfax, VA. They have discovered that a life with a LAN in the basement, DSL and two cats can be very rewarding. Anyone who would like to get in touch with them should feel free to send an e-mail to jascraw@yahoo.com

SETH ENGEL

has been promoted to producer at C-SPAN; he produced the GOP National Convention in Philadelphia last summer.

DAN KRETZER

graduated from Georgetown University's School of Foreign Service with an M.A. in national security studies last May. He lives in Arlington, VA, and works for the Department of Defense.

DIANA HOLTON STASHIK

is a disability examiner with the State of Maryland. Her husband, Michael, is a video producer/Jumbotron director with the Baltimore Orioles. The couple lives in Owings Mills. E-mail them at thestashes99@cs.com or look for them in the bleachers at Camden Yards!

DAVE TAIBI

and his family moved from Christ Church, VA, (where Dave worked in admissions at Christ Church School for the past seven years) to Alexandria, where Dave is the dean of students at St. Stephen's and St. Agnes School.

MARRIAGES

Michael Ludden '73 to Nancy Thigpen on September 15, 2000 in Winter Park, FL.

Emily J. Morris '81 to Dr. Gus Litonjua on May 28, 2000. Alumni in attendance were Daphne Fogg Siegal '81, Ruth Christenson O'Brian '81, Victoria Gadsden Marsh '79, Jean Dixon Sanders '79, Mimi Gugerty Wood '79, Tom Wood '78, Jody Dudderar '77, Shirl Renkenberger '81 and Maura Kelly Rogers '79.

Virginia White '83 to Robert Murphy on June 10, 2000. Catherine White Beck '86 was maid of honor. Sandra Evans Meyers '81 and Suzanne Pinnix Welker '82 were bridesmaids. Alumni in attendance were Ray Evans '52, Bill '80 and Linda McCauley Hamill '80, Sally Everitt North '81, Mary Pohanka Parr '81 and Beth Glascock Wyrrough '82.

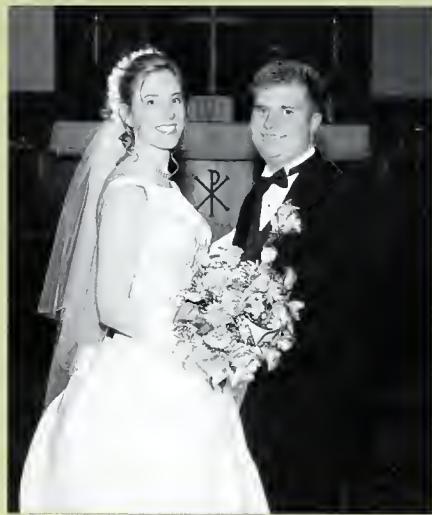
Kerwin Stokes '87 to Susan Kirk on September 23, 2000 in Annapolis, MD.

Robert D. Morrow Jr. '89 to Jennifer Gobrecht on September 16, 2000 in Harrisburg, PA. Tom Layug '89 and Rob Noble '91 were groomsmen.

Jacqueline Collins '91 to Jimmy Kilduff on June 25, 2000 at Antrim 1844 in Taneytown, MD. Jen Jefferson '91 and Tamara Braunstein '91 were bridesmaids. Other alumni in attendance were Nizza Morgan Roberts '90, Ryder Daniels '90, Rob Thompson '91, Michelle Darling Mtmet '91, Amanda Burt Newell '93 and Jennifer Eisberg '90.

Tiffany Bailey '91 to Matthew Kernstein on December 5, 1999 in Maui, where they reside.

More Marriages on page 36 and 37.



Diana Holton '93 and Michael Stashik were married on November 13, 1999. The reception was held at the B&O Railroad Museum. Joan Colton '92 was a bridesmaid and reader. Alumni in attendance were Shelly Mangold Gearhart '93, Sam Clements '93 and Jonathan Rogers '94.



Sally Livingston Haysworth '93 and Jeffrey Steven Grafton '94 were married on July 10, 1999 at Great Oak Manor in Chestertown.

Brigid DeVries '93 (center front) was married to Ted Morahan on October 30, 1999 in Annapolis, MD. Brigid is pictured here with her WC friends—(back row) Jen Sloan DiPaula '93, Heather Mayr Tockney '93, Sara Boggess '93, Lauri McClellan '92, (front) Amy McCleary '93, Julie Dill '93 and Sharon Davis Brogan '93.

MARRIAGES

James Crawford '93 to Karen Fletcher on June 5, 1999.

Nicole Bromwell '96 to Jason Giordano in May 2000.

Theodore Kelly Jr. '96 to Cathleen Elizabeth Wagner on September 13, 2000 in Fairfax, VA. Tad's brother, John Kelly '92, was best man, and Heath Bethune '90 was an usher.

R. Brian Rush '96 to Kimberly Pusey on September 9, 2000 in Salisbury, MD.

Regis de Ramel '97 to Laura Stack on June 10, 2000. Alumni and staff in attendance were Giles Beale '95, Chris Pelz '98, Heather Spurrier '00 and Dean Edward Maxcy.

Catherine Langan '97 to Michael McDonnell '98 on July 24, 1999.



Beverly Diaz '95 and Christian Poulsen were married on June 10, 2000 on Coronado Island in California. The two met in Denmark while Beverly was there on business and had only three days

before her return to the U.S. Christian kept up the connection through e-mail, and two months later proposed to Beverly in Danish. The couple lives in Denmark.



Christopher Smith '99 and Stacey Davis '01 were married on December 18, 1999. Sherry Edwards '00 was bridesmaid. Other alumni in attendance were John Bonvetti '98, Brian King '99, Gregory Tomasso '98, Daniel MacPeak '97 and Dudley Obrecht '98.



Erin Newman '96 and Ted Daly '98 were married on November 7, 1998 at St. Andrew by the Bay Catholic Church in Cape St. Claire, MD. Ted's brother, Jeff Daly '93, was best man. Erin Talbert Daly '94, Cindy Young '93 and Dr. Rich Gillin and his wife, Barbara, were in attendance. The couple lives in Wye Mills, MD.

SUZI WACKERBARTH

works for Barnes & Noble Booksellers in Falls Church, VA. Having worked for the company for more than six years, she has supervised such sections as music books, gardening, antiques, children's and fiction. She now works with books on boxing, baking, chess and antique cherubs. She also facilitates the contemporary fiction book discussion group. On October 14, she was a presenter at the annual Global Nomads International Conference. She would love to hear from friends and classmates at swackerbarth@hotmail.com

1994

CHANDEV ABHAYARATNE

is CEO of The Payphone Company (PPC), one of the largest wireless pay-telecom services companies in Sri Lanka, operating an International Calling Card and an island-wide public payphone network.

EMILIO BOGADO

is working toward his MBA at the University of Maryland.

MARGARET "PEGGY" BOWMAN

is a second-year student of veterinary medicine at Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine. She completed a fellowship, funded by the American Cancer Society and the VA-MD Veterinary School, researching cancer therapy in dogs, but her main interest lies in infectious disease research.

SASHI FERNANDO

and her husband, Kosala, moved to Africa on a job detail with Price Waterhouse Coopers.

KATHRYN MULLAN

lives in Chevy Chase, MD, and works in downtown Washington, DC, for a mission awareness society for children. She researches, writes and edits all the publications and various other educational program materials that the Holy Childhood Association produces for Catholic children around the U.S. She helped to launch Theology on Tap this past year in DC, and sees lots of alumni out and around town frequently. She hopes to make it back to the

Eastern Shore for a good, quiet row on the Chester.

CHRISTINE SMITH

is an editor/writer for Salisbury State University's Office of Publications. One of her primary duties is editing SU's alumni magazine.

1995

JAY DERBIS

works as an associate with the law firm of Jones, Day, Reavis & Pogue in Washington, DC.

BRADLEY HARRIS

joined the Peace Corps on May 22. He works in Guatemala as an animal husbandry volunteer to improve animal health practices as well as to introduce new breeds and improve nutrition of existing species.

CHERYL BULL OVEREND

and her husband, Scott '93, enjoy being parents to their very beautiful and active new daughter, Reiley (see births). Cheryl is pursuing her master's in education while teaching third grade

at a local private school. Scott works for Rhythems, an Internet company.

1996

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THOMAS ALBRIGHT

enjoys life on a ranch in New Mexico and hopes to get back to see everyone on the Shore.

TINA BALIN

is a program specialist with the Department of Justice's criminal division. She works with Haitian refugees.

ROBIN DIAMOND CAMP

is a teacher's assistant at an elementary school in Vance County, NC. She has two children, Zachary, 3, and Micaela, 3 months.

CHRIS DOWNS

is an English teacher and assistant boys' varsity soccer coach at Arundel High School in Gambrills, MD. He will receive his master's in English from WC

next May. He lives in Denton, MD, with his wife, Krista.

JEN FRIEDMAN

manages the Feast of Reason in Chestertown. "Whenever any classmates are in town, stop in to the Feast to say hey!"

NICOLE BROMWELL GIORDANO

and her husband, Jason, are building a home in Lothian, MD. Nicole is a branch manager at Farmers Bank.

MOLLIE STORKE GRAHAM

and husband Bill are enjoying their new son, William Patrick. Mollie is a school nurse in Cecil County, MD.

SUSAN HANNA

lives in Boston, MA, where she works for Liberty Funds. She plans to attend her 5th Reunion in May.

CAREY HARGROVE

lives in Manayunk, PA, near Philadelphia. Last summer



Steven Bright '96 was voted "Delaware's Bachelor of the Year 2000" by *Cosmopolitan Magazine*. He was an honoree at *Cosmopolitan's Bachelor Day* in New York City on June 12.

Carey worked on approximately 30 Republican National Committee-related events, including opening night and George W. Bush's arrival ceremonies.

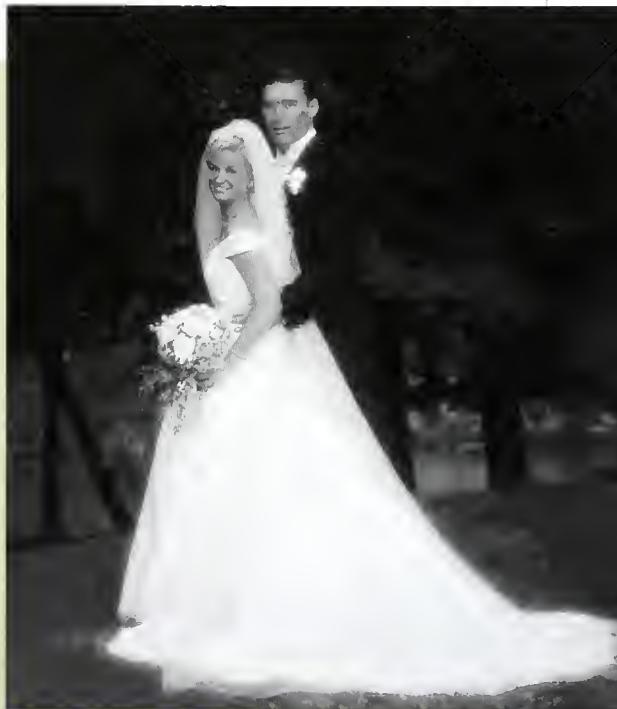
MARRIAGES

Elitsa Hadgjeva '98 to Mark Golab on February 12, 2000 in New York.

Michael Stafford '99 to Whitney Swears '00 on August 2, 2000. The couple honeymooned in Cancun and reside in North Carolina.



Michelle Crosier '94 and Dennis Kelleher '93, pictured here with a crowd from WC, were married in the fall of 1999. The couple resides in Middletown, DE.



Michelle Nichols '95 and Morton "Stormy" Gibbons-Neff IV were married on October 9, 1999 in Annapolis, MD. In the wedding party were Sarah Young '95, Allison Worrell '95, Nicole Giordano '96 and WC student Anne Loverro. The couple resides in Annapolis.



Tommy Gaines '86, Mark Darwin '86, Mike Papa '86, honored at the Hall of Fame banquet as members of the 1985 lacrosse team and pictured here at Hunter's Oak golf course with lacrosse coach JB Clarke, played 18 at the annual Alumni and Friends Golf Tournament. Gaines is the reunion chair for the Class of 1986. Dick Grieves '83, Trey D'Ambrogi '86 and Brian Corrigan '83 (not pictured) rescued the tournament from cancellation by changing the venue when Chester River Yacht & Country Club closed its course for reseeding. A silent auction raised more than \$2,700 for the Hall of Fame.

SHAWNTEL FITZGERALD-LAMBERT
is earning her master's of science degree in clinical psychology at Loyola College.

R. BRIAN RUSH
is a food safety compliance manager for Allen Family Foods, and wife Kim is a supervisor in the food service department for Perdue Farms. They live in Seaford, DE.

NICOLE WAGNER
is a Montessori teacher in Wilmington, DE.

ERIKA WILSON
works as volunteer coordinator for the Peace Corps.

1997
TANAE COATES
is the proud mother of Joseph Isaiah Markei.

RICHARD KANE
lives in Washington, DC, and is pursuing a master's in economics at George Washington University. He works as an economist for the Bureau of Economic Analysis at the U.S. Department of Commerce. Richard celebrated the arrival of the year 2000 with a three-week vacation in Japan.

TED KNIGHT
lives in Annapolis and has been appointed a member-at-large to the Alumni Council.

ERIN MILLER
lives and works in Washington, DC. This past summer she swam the Chesapeake Bay for the second time. She misses WC and says hello to everyone!

ANDREW MOFFAT
lives in London, where he works as a client accountant at Northern Trust of Chicago and is a regular at the Richmond Tennis Club.

STEPHANIE SELF
lives in Perry Hall, MD, and is working on her master's degree in occupational therapy at Towson University. She will graduate in December 2001. Friends may e-mail her at stephself4@aol.com.

THOMAS P. WEBB
completed his master's degree in psychology from WC in July.

CHRIS WIMER
had his ten seconds of fame on July 17, when his name was announced on WHFS as the winner of a wristband to attend the free Limp Bizkit and Cypress Hill concert at Nation in Washington, DC.

STEPHANIE WOODWARD
works for Smith-Kline Beecham, Biologics Division, in West Palm Beach, FL, as a sales rep.

1998
GINA COCO

is a research editor with Healthcote.com. She and Megan Smith '98 are roommates in Baltimore.

TED DALY
is the CEO of AllerKare, an e-commerce company marketing latex-free products to latex-allergic consumers. His wife, Erin Newman '96, teaches computer classes on a contractual basis for Chesapeake College, Anne Arundel Community College and Towson University.

EDWARD J. GEISWEIDT
received a Graduate Council Fellowship to the University of Alabama, where he is pursuing a master's in Renaissance Studies.

ELITSA HADIEVA GOLAB
is a law student at Pace University. She plans to work for Ernst & Young.

AMY HARTSOCK
ran the annual Governor's Bay Bridge Run (10K) with several friends from the WC community, including Dr. George Spilich, Dr. Mike Kerchner, Jeanne Narcum and Dr. John Conkling '65. Amy placed second among the overall women and first in her age group with a time of 41:40.

MICHAEL HINKLE
is in his third and final year at Rutgers School of Law.

FRED KANTHER
is a junior financial adviser at Paine Webber in Philadelphia, PA, focusing on estate planning.

HOWARD G. KRONTHAL
competed a two-year service in the Peace Corps, teaching environmental education.

TAREK RICHEY
is a financial services specialist with ICM (Independent Capital Management).

TIMOTHY TAWNEY
received his master's degree in German and European studies from Georgetown University in May 2000. He is working as an intern at NASA Headquarters.

1999

PATRICK FLAHERTY
attends helicopter school in Vancouver, British Columbia. "Flying in the mountains is beautiful and breathtaking! I hope to get a job flying the geologists from Fish and Game into the Northern Territory of Alaska or Canada. If anyone knows of a helicopter firm hiring pilots, please call me!"

ELIZABETH GARROTT
lives in Berkeley, CA, with Coby Fisher '99 and between seven and eleven other roommates (depending on the day of the week). She directed Wendy McLeod's "Sin" at the Theatre Rhinoceros, which was included on the "Top 10 Things to Do in San Francisco" list in Metropolitan Magazine.

JENNIFER HIGGINS
enjoys life in the Washington, DC, area with all the other alumni.

ERIC JOHNSON
is a consultant for A&M University's Corps of Cadets. Eric advises the Corps in addressing alcohol-related issues.

CHRISTINA HAMMER LANE
has been happily married for 1½ years and is an intensive interventionist with child services for the Caroline County (MD) Department of Social Services.

DOUG MISARTI
is the assistant men's lacrosse coach (and lead recruiter and offensive coordinator) at Stevens Institute of Technology in Hoboken, NJ.

BOBBY POLLICINO
works at a boarding school in Virginia as a biology and chemistry teacher and as a soccer, basketball and lacrosse coach. He is also enrolled in a master's program at the College of William and Mary.

2000

Please plan for your 1st Reunion May 18-20!

ERIN DEVLIN

is the enrollment project manager in the Admissions/Registration Office at Frederick Community College in Frederick, MD.

KIRSTEN GIBSON

is teaching history and civics at Kent County (MD) High School. She hopes to pursue her master's in history at WC.

MELISSA JACOBS

is working for Telesystems, an IT temporary staffing firm in Hanover, MD.

MAGGY KILROY

completed her Ed Block at WC this fall. She plans to head west to find herself and hopefully join the women's pro surfing tour.

KATE MAHONEY

is a marketing communications assistant for C-SPAN in Washington, DC.

ADRIENNE MATZ

is a manager at Abercrombie & Fitch in Southern California.

BRIGIO McOONNELL

traveled throughout Mexico with Jessica Waicker '01. Brigid works for Teksystems in Baltimore, MD.

MEGHAN NOONE

graduated with flying colors from Delta Airlines flight school. She defeated the reigning Mile High Club champion in a rock, paper scissors contest held annually at the Embassy Suites in Atlanta, GA. Meghan is first reunion chair.

SHAWN PETERSON

is the assistant manager at International House of Pancakes (IHOP) in Hagerstown, MD.

KATHRYN PREEN

is pursuing her master's degree in marine biology at the University of Delaware's College of Marine Studies in Lewes, DE.

DUSTIN RITTER

works in Gaithersburg, MD, for a clinical research company, developing a new pacemaker being tested for the FDA.

SUSIE SHAUM

is teaching preschool and music at Meritor Academy in Arnold, MD. She lives on Kengersley Farm in Church Hill, only six miles down the road from Chestertown, MD.

JENNIFER THOMAS

is a first-year law student at the University of Maryland School of Law in Baltimore and looks forward to catching up with alumni in that area. ▶

IN MEMORIAM

Dr. Robert W. Farr '29 died on July 29, 2000. He was salutatorian of his class. After his graduation from the University of Maryland School of Medicine, he became a family practitioner in Chestertown where he practiced until his retirement in 1991. He is survived by a daughter and his sister, Mary Farr Heeg '33.

Louise Mandrell Calary '31 died on November 14, 1996.

Robert Furman '33 died on April 28, 2000. Until 1972, he owned a chain of variety stores in up-state New York. His hobbies were skiing and sailing. He is survived by his wife, Charlotte Holloway Furman '32, two children, five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Charles "Chunk" Wells '36 died on August 19, 1999 in his home in Dallas, TX. As a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy during World War II, Charles served aboard the USS *Enterprise*. He was the southwest division claims man-

ager when he retired from Liberty Mutual Insurance Company. He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Virginia Davis Wells, a daughter and three grandchildren.

Sara Roe Valliant '37 died on September 11, 2000.

Jean Owens Plotts '38 died on November 27, 1999.

Grace M. Tinley '38 died on June 8, 2000. Grace was a member of AOPi. She retired in 1983 after a 40-year career with the Queen Anne's County Department of Social Services. A member of the Sip and Sew Group and the Wednesday night bridge club, Grace lived in Queen Anne's County most of her life. She is survived by two daughters, a son, a brother and four grandchildren.

Rev. Frank O. Baynard '40 died on April 7, 2000 in Seaford, DE. He was a minister for 41 years with the United Methodist Pen-

insula conference, retiring in 1981 from Chesapeake City, MD. He is survived by his three sons, five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Barbara Brown Pace '46 died on August 31, 2000 in Chautauqua, NY. Barbara was in the college orchestra and was a member of Zeta Tau Alpha. She was active in the Chautauqua Bird Tree and Garden Club and in the Boy and Girl Scouts programs. She is survived by her husband of 52 years, Robert, a son, two daughters, three grandchildren and two brothers.

Elmer Thomas '47 died on April 12, 2000.

Julian Melli Copenhaver '63 died on February 5, 1999.

Andrew W. Wilkie '03, who would have been a sophomore this fall, was killed in an automobile accident on August 11, 2000. He was 20. His classmates remember him as a hard-working student who enjoyed strength training. A member of the

school's ice hockey club, he was known as the "enforcer" on the ice who looked after the welfare of his teammates.

Wilkie is survived by his parents, Carole and Gordon Wilkie of Unionville, PA.

Robert H. Roy H'82, a noted mechanical engineer, educator and former Chairman of the Board of Washington College, died on October 8, 2000 at a retirement home in Lutherville, MD. He was 93. Roy, who began teaching at Johns Hopkins University in 1947, was dean of the school of engineering, then dean of engineering sciences, until he retired in 1973. He served on the Board of Visitors and Governors of Washington College from 1971 until 1983, and was chairman from 1976 until

1980. He was awarded the College's honorary Doctor of Science degree in September 1982. Roy is survived by his wife of 69 years, Florence R. Sentman, two daughters, and three grandchildren.

Civil Rights Activist Speaks of the Living Past

by Dennis Wilson '01

Three people went missing in the summer of 1964. That was less than one year after Martin Luther King's famous speech on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial and just a few months after the Passage of the Civil Rights Act. For anyone to go missing in that summer was both dangerous and impossibly tragic. But if you happened to be black, or an activist in the rapidly growing Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC), or both, it is enough to say the cards were not stacked in your favor.

It is evident that Judy Richardson, a guest of Washington College's Goldstein Program in Public Affairs in September, has told the story of that summer time and time again, to countless listeners. She recites the three names like a litany, a trinity as familiar to her lips as the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost: Cheny, Goodman, Schwerner. They had been discovered missing in the days just prior to the relocation of the SNCC headquarters from Atlanta to Greenwood, MS. Of course, Richardson can recall with clarity the moment she was told that her three compatriots were unaccounted for.

It had been during a students' convention in Ohio. Bob Moses, project director

for SNCC, had walked onto the stage in front of an array of impassioned students: "He was very quiet, very Zen-like. Bob said that these three were missing. We all assumed that that meant that they were dead. There was such amazing communication to try and keep people from being killed, that once they had not called in within that two- or three-hour period, then we knew that they had been taken."

Taken, indeed. As the convention in Ohio continued, fears about the three became justified: "The second morning, Bob came back on and he wrote on the blackboard 'The three are still missing,' and the next day—'The three are still missing.' It was very hard, particularly for the students who had never worked in Mississippi and were just coming down for the summer. It was like a slap of reality that this really could happen, that you really could be killed."

At the time of the Ohio convention, Richardson had been involved with the SNCC long enough to know that their situation was precarious. A year earlier, she had made a difficult decision to leave college in order to travel down South and aid the SNCC in its efforts to desegregate private and public buildings, to register black

voters in the midst of violence and apathy and try to change people's hearts and minds. Richardson was involved on a daily basis with the issues that confronted the SNCC; she also participated in sit-ins staged by the SNCC and was arrested on more than one occasion.

As the days passed, it became impossible not to realize the danger she and her colleagues faced as activists. Dedicated young men and women such as Fanny Lou Hamer and Stokely Carmichael were being beaten in prison; inspiring leaders such as Medger Evers were being shot out of uncontained anger and fear of change. Yet looking at Judy Richardson today, feeling the positive energy and passion that sing through her veins, anyone could know with assurance that she would do it all over again.

Perhaps the most important aspect of her message is that the civil rights movement was propelled by the commitment, spirituality and dedication of many. Rosa Parks was not an accidental phenomenon but a long-time activist in the Civil Rights movement. A. Philip Randolph, the man who had tapped King to lead the bus boycott, was a union leader who had been conceptualizing a march on Washington since the mid-1940s. Most importantly, the movement gained momentum from hundreds of domestic workers who walked seven, ten or fifteen miles a day—not for themselves, as one walker stated,

but for "their children, and their children's children."

Richardson concluded her remarks by saying that the aspirations and struggles of those countless thousands, as voiced by King, have fallen short of fulfillment today. In the final days of his life, Martin Luther King Jr. had called for a "radical redistribution of economic power" on both national and global scales. King had not failed to see the intimate connection between segregation in the world and the expansion of economic exploitation. Yet Richardson cites that over the past 20 years or so, the average income for the poorest five percent of Americans has fallen ten percent, while the top five percent has risen 33 percent. Hate crimes continue to be carried out, and there remains a huge gulf of mistrust between America's minority populations and figures of authority.

She called for organization, open-mindedness and remembrance of those who have come before, those with names and those without, Martin Luther King Jr., Malcom X, Ella Baker, Cheny, Goodman, Schwerner.

"If we don't remember how these people have struggled," she said, "then we won't know that we can do it again."

Dennis Wilson, a history major, is completing a comparative analysis of civil rights movements throughout the world as his senior thesis.

C O L L E G E E V E N T S

December 8

Kent & Queen Anne's Alumni Chapter Holiday Party, Hynson-Ringgold House.

January 21

"Something Fishy About WC." WC ODYSSEY 2001: Faculty-guided Tours of Museums and Other Cool Places. A tour of Clearwater Aquarium in Florida, led by psychology professor George Spilich with Scott Swaim M'91. For more information call the Alumni Office at 800-422-1782, ext. 7143.

February 4

"The Future of Our Oceans and Estuaries." WC ODYSSEY 2001 tour of the National Aquarium in Baltimore, MD, led by biology professor Don Munson. For more information call the Alumni Office.

February 10

The Washington College Concert Series presents MANDALA, a folk dance ensemble of dancers, singers and musicians. Gibson Performing Arts Center, Tawes Theatre, 8 p.m. Tickets available at the door.

February 12

In celebration of Black History Month, the C.V. Starr Center for the Study of the American Experience presents "Honor's Voice: The Transformation of Abraham Lincoln," a talk by eminent biographer Douglas Wilson. Casey Academic Center Forum, 7:30 p.m.

Washington College Fund Phonathon begins. Students are scheduled to call all alumni who have not contributed to the annual fund. If you do not wish to be called, send your gift before February 1 or write the Alumni Office to request that your name be removed.

February 13

The Center for the Study of the Environment and Society presents the first of its Eastern Shore Lecture Series. Wes Jackson, founder of The Land Institute and a leader in the sustainable agricultural movement, will present "Journey Home." Time and place TBA.

February 17

George Washington's Birthday Convocation. Tawes Theatre, Gibson Performing Arts Center, 2 p.m. Alumni Service Award Luncheon.

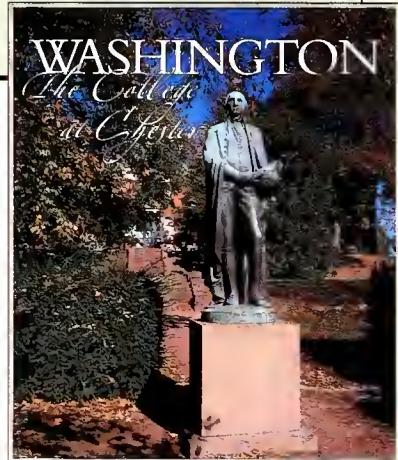
Vocalist Karen Somerville in concert. Gibson Performing Arts Center, Tawes Theatre, 8 p.m. Tickets available at the door.

February 18

The Music Department presents the student recital of vocalist Catharine Clarke. William Smith Hall, Norman James Theatre, 4 p.m.

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every Washington College fan on your gift list. Copies are still available for \$49.95 in the College Bookstore (800) 422-1782 and via the Bookstore's web site (bookstore.washcoll.edu).

February 22

Alumni Birthday Toasts to George Washington. For a list of times and places, visit www.washcoll.edu/wc/alumni or call the Alumni Office.

February 24

George Washington's Birthday Ball. Benjamin A. Johnson Lifetime Fitness Center, 9 p.m.-1 a.m.

March 1

Writer Cornel West will give a talk on "Race in the 21st Century." Casey Academic Center Forum, 7:30 p.m.

March 11

"Illuminated Letters." WC ODYSSEY 2001 tour of the J. Paul Getty Museum in Los Angeles, CA, led by English professor Bob Day. For more information call the Alumni Office.

March 18

"Talking About Taliesin." WC ODYSSEY 2001 tour of the Frank Lloyd Wright Museum near Phoenix, AZ, led by English Professor Bob Day. For more information call the Alumni Office.

May 18-20

Reunion/Commencement Weekend. Alumni and parents of graduates, make plans now! Honored Reunion Class pages (1926-2001) are now posted on the alumni web site www.washcoll.edu/wc/alumni. Reunion/Commencement schedules and reservation packages will be mailed in March.

The Campaign salutes Barbara Cromwell and the George Washington Society



Barbara Townsend Cromwell '55, the outgoing chair of the George Washington Society, notes that the Society today represents more than \$16 million in future support for the College.

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON SOCIETY MISSION:

Named for the founding patron of the College, the George Washington Society promotes the concept of planned giving. Since 1996, planned gifts established by members of the George Washington Society generated \$6.9 million supporting scholarships, research, endowment and general operating funds.

PROFILE:

Barbara Cromwell has been a loyal supporter of the College on many fronts. She is an emeritus member of the Board of Visitors and Governors. She served on the Alumni Council, with distinction, from 1976 to 1993, serving as president in 1979-80. She was inducted into Omicron Delta Kappa as an alumna. Since 1996 she has provided leadership for the George Washington Society, raising awareness about the importance of planned giving. She has enlisted nearly 100 members who have declared their intentions to support the College through trust arrangements, gift annuities or bequests.

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"My love affair with Washington College began nearly 50 years ago, and through the years that love has continued to grow. If I have done something for the College, it is because I am trying, at least in part, to give back what the College has given to me—not just in the years I was there, but in the years since I graduated. I think we have a fine institution and I am proud to say that I graduated from Washington College. I am also proud to say that I have included the College in my estate plan. I hope that all of you will do the same!"